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HEDLEY IS HELD.

The Bunker Hill Editor Will Answer for Killing Mayor Richards.

BAIL IS FIXED AT $5,000

Evidence Indicates that Richards Held Hedley Responsible for a Woman's Refusal to Accept His Suit.

Carlinville, Ill., June 15.—Since the announcement was made of the killing of Mayor John R. Richards of Bunker Hill, by Captain F. Y. Hedley, edtor of the Bunker Hill Gazette, this county has been wrought up with intense excitement, owing to the prominence of the unfortunate principals and Miss Brown, over whom Capt. Hedley and Mayor Richards quarreled. Immediately after the shooting, which occurred on Bunker Hill's principal street as the bells were ringing for dinner, Capt. Hedley surrendered to a constable and, fearing for his safety, he requested that he be at once driven to this city for protection from Richards' friends, who were making dire threats. Once here he asked an immediate hearing, which was granted. Justice Cloud held him in bail of $3000 to await future developments of the wounded man's condition. The same day of the shooting at 6 o'clock Richards died, his friends having done everything in their power to save his life.

Ever since the news of Richards' death great interest was manifested as to the action of the justice court at the preliminary trial, which was held today. The question raised was whether or not Hedley would be admitted to bail. Hedley was represented by Gen. John I. Rinaker, Thomas Rinaker and E. W. Hayes. States Attorney Vaughn and A. H. Bell were the attorneys for the state. After hearing the evidence in the case Justice Cloud held that the case was a bailable one and fixed the bond at $5000, which was immediately given. The case will not come up before the September term of court. The state is putting forth strenuous efforts to make the killing one of murder, and one of the most interesting and hardest fought cases in the annals of Macoupin county's criminal calendar is looked for. The defense will plead justifiable homicide.

Preliminary Hearing.

At the preliminary hearing Monday four witnesses were examined by the state. Their testimony was not convicting, and in substance was that Hedley was standing on the doorstep of McPherson's store when Richards came along and addressed him, saying: "Why don't you speak to me;" Hedley replied: "I will speak to you when you speak to me." Richards then said, "You remember the agreement," and Hedley replied, "I do," whereupon Richards struck at Hedley, but whether he hit him or not the evidence does not prove. Hedley's hat fell upon the sidewalk between them and he picked it up and started to back away from Richards, who endeavored to seize a weapon from in front of the store, going about 30 or 40 feet, with Richards pressing him closely. While retreating in this manner Hedley shot him twice, and Richards staggered a second and then pursued Hedley, who by this time got a little farther away from him, Richards shouting "Shoot him," but Richards finally returned to McPherson's store.

On behalf of the defendant, John Kleinfelter testified that he had known of the enmity between Richards and Hedley, and that he, with two or three other prominent citizens, had endeavored to effect peace between them, and for that purpose an agreement had been drawn which both men signed; also, that the trouble was in regard to a young lady, Miss Ella Brown, who is a cousin of Richards and was his stenographer, the report being that Hedley influenced her so that she would not listen to Richards' overtures of marriage. Kleinfelter said that Richards told him during the holidays that H. H. Brown, father of Miss Ella Brown, said he would kill Hedley if he did not stop going with his daughter; also, that about May 1 Richards told Kleinfelter the town wouldn't be big enough to hold both of them if Hedley didn't cease speaking to or seeing Miss Brown.

Arthur Johnson for the defendant testified that about the 1st of March, just after he had been speaking to Hedley, Richards came up to him and said:

"What are you talking to that dirty little —— for? I ought to have killed him long ago, and will do him up yet."

W. P. Dickie testified that Richards one evening at the M. E. church, while revival services were being held, said he was going into the church vestibule and thrash that little fellow, referring to Hedley, who was in the vestibule of the church.

A. S. Cuthbertson testified that about two and a half months ago Richards came to E. W. Hayes' office to see him about a suit that it was reported Hedley was going to bring against him to bind him over to keep the peace, and during the conversation Richards said if Hedley went to see or communicate in any way with Miss Brown that he would kill him.

Richards Jealous.

From all the evidence offered it seems that Hedley and Miss Brown, who were both members of the same church choir up to a short time before Christmas, were more or less thrown in each other's company, and that this angered Richards, who appears to have been in love with Miss Brown, but she refused his advances and Richards placed the blame for her refusal to the influence of Hedley.

Up to this time Capt. Hedley had refused any statement to the press, but since the preliminary examination he authorized the following:

"I now break silence and say as solemnly as a man can that for the unfortunate act for which I am held my conscience is as clear as can be that of any reader of this. As solemnly do I say that any matter in the preliminary hearing which may seem to reflect upon the character of Miss Brown is wholly unwarranted. She is the innocent and long-suffering victim, to whom ample vindication will come in due time.

(Signed) "F. Y. Hedley."

Dyer's Efforts on Behalf of Draper.

Jacksonville, June 14.—The Hastings murder case was revived yesterday when Col. Pat Dyer, of St. Louis, counsel for Draper, the murderer, came here and stated his intention to ask the court that the accused be admitted to bail. He saw Charles A. Barnes, assistant to the states attorney, and secured consent to the proceedings. Barnes not thinking at the time what judge might be selected to hear the case. The incoming jurist is Judge Thompson, who has been Draper's assistant attorney. Dyer hastened to the court with the case and asked for Judge Jefferson Orr, of Pike county. While the preliminaries were being arranged a bystander, who understood the state of affairs, managed to get word to Barnes, who hastened to the court room and filed a strong objection and had Judge-elect Shirley, of Carlinville, selected.

United American Mechanics Meet.

Pittsburg, June 15.—The 39th annual session of the National Council of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics began this afternoon. After the address of welcome and responses the council went into executive session and national Councillor Sahner delivered the annual address reviewing the past year's work. The report of National Secretary Deemer showed new councils organized 106, new members 10,899; paid in benefits reliefs $550,360; in treasury of sub-councils $1,624,846. The finance committee recommended a per capita tax of 12 cents payable semi-annually in March and September, also that the services of the national organizer be dispensed with and an appropriation of $5000 made for the use of the board of directors for special organizers.

Miss Hunt Held for the Grand Jury.

Danville, Ill., June 14.—Louisa Hunt, who was arrested Saturday, was brought before United States Commissioner William A. Young yesterday on the charge of rifling the United States mails. She waived examination and was bound over to the United States grand jury in the sum of $1000. She gave bonds and was released. Her father is postmaster at Oakland, Edgar county, Ill. All connected with the case are reticent.

Viewing Janssen's Remains.

New Orleans, June 15.—From early morning throngs poured into St. Mary's church where the remains of the late Bishop Janssens lie in state. Solemn high mass was intoned this morning. Bishop Van De Viver, of Richmond, officiating. Nine bishops will participate in the ceremonies today and tomorrow. The mortuary procession, starting at 4 o'clock this afternoon will embrace religious, civic and military features.

Cambridge-Philadelphia Cricket Match.

Cambridge, June 15.—When the ninth man of the home team was caught out in the Cambridge-Philadelphia cricket match today the Englishmen had scored 369 runs. The visitors were all out for 149 runs on their previous innings. Cambridge was all out for 418 runs.

The Philadelphia cricketers all out in second inning for 100 runs. Cambridge thus won the match by an inning and 168 runs.

President Again at Home.

Washington, June 15.—The presidential party arrived from its southern trip this morning. President McKinley was at his desk soon after 9 o'clock. The party is in good health.

Dr. Schowengerdt of Zigglerville, Mo., has removed to Champaign and began practice.

HAWAII TREATY.

Said to be Ready for Submission to the Senate, Annexing the Island.

WILL BE KNOWN AS A TERRITORY

Ludicrous Attempt of Some Democrats to Explain that They are Not Protectionists — Bryanism is Repudiation.

Washington, June 14.—(From our regular correspondent)—The territory of Hawaii. How does that sound? It is going to be the next addition to Uncle Sam's family. It is now known, although no official statement has been made, that a treaty for the annexation of Hawaii will be sent to the senate in the near future, probably before the close of the present session of congress. There is very little, if any, doubt of the ratification of that treaty, as the sentiment of the senate, regardless of party, is overwhelmingly in favor of the annexation of Hawaii; but owing to the difficulty of keeping a quorum of the senate in Washington after the tariff bill has been passed, the treaty will hardly be acted upon until the regular session of congress, even if sent in at this session.

President McKinley will return from his trip to the Nashville exposition tomorrow, and the White House, which has been quite deserted by all but the sightseers while he has been away, will again take on an air of business.

The attempts of some of the Democratic senators to explain that they are not protectionists, although they have voted for protection of the products of their states have been more or less ludicrous. Senator McEnery, of Louisiana, is the only one of them who has come out squarely for protection, although a number of them have voted for it in particular schedules. He said in reply to the taunts of Senators Jones of Arkansas, and Vest: "Consider the vast interests Louisiana has in rice and sugar; considering the output of her saw mills, her salt and sulphur mines, is there any reason why the Democratic party of my state should not be committed to protection? Not high protection, but such protection as is consistent with revenue necessities. This, also, I believe, is the doctrine of the Republican party. Call it what you will, protection, revenue duty with incidental protection, or anything else, large amounts must be raised, and there is no reason why the industries of the south should not be protected."

The Democrats took advantage of the agreement of the Republican senators to shorten the tariff debate as much as possible by not making speeches or taking part in controversies, to make a number of statements concerning the sugar schedule which has been adopted by the senate, that they must have known were untrue. The only one of their statements that any attention was paid to was that asserting that the new sugar schedule would give the American sugar refiners more protection than the schedule for which it was substituted, and that was only replied to indirectly by Senator Allison, who stated that the new schedule would give the American sugar refiners less protection than the one abandoned, and that it would be shown by indisputable evidence as soon as a statement now being prepared by unprejudiced experts could be completed. Senator Allison's word was enough for the senate, which adopted the new schedule.

The object of the Democratic senators in talking to delay progress on the tariff bill is obvious. It is estimated that every day the bill is delayed means a loss to the government of at least $100,000 in duties, and the more that is lost in that way the better prepared will be Democratic stump speakers to charge the new tariff will not produce enough revenue during its first nine months or a year. Of course intelligent people will know that advance importations under present duties will prevent the new tariff showing what it can do as a revenue producer for sometime after it goes into effect, but intelligent people are seldom or never influenced by the untrustworthy statements which form such a conspicuous feature of Democratic dump oratory; it is the unintelligent and poorly informed class which is led astray by such talk.

It has been denied that Bryanism stood for repudiation, but it cannot be denied that a bill introduced by Representative Bell, Colorado, a Populist disciple of Bryan, provides for partial repudiation, pure and simple. His bill provides for scaling the debt of the United States, which is represented by the $62,315,400 worth of bonds issued by the secretary of the treasury under the Cleveland administration in February, 1895, directing "to pay not less than one-half of the interest and principal of said bonds in standard silver dollars." The odd part of Mr. Bell's repudiation scheme is that he only specifies that it shall include one of the Cleveland bond issues. The bill will not be heard from again, but it shows the spirit of Bryanism and is therefore worth mention as a warning of what might be expected should Bryanism ever get on top.

SENATE MATTERS.

Tillman Wants to Tax Immigrants Until We Get 16 to 1.

Washington, June 15.—Tillman today gave notice of the amendment he will offer to the tariff bill providing for a head tax of $100 on all immigrants to the United States. The amendment also makes it a misdemeanor punishable by fine and imprisonment for any person to enter the United States for the purpose of engaging in trade or manual labor without filing an intention to become a citizen. These provisions are modified by a proviso to the effect that it "shall only remain in effect until silver shall be admitted to our mints for coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1, on the same conditions with gold."

Lindsay's amendment to reduce the sugar differentials was defeated 32 to 35.

At the request of Allison, the Hawaiian provision in the tariff bill was passed over.

HAWAIIAN TREATY.

Report that It Will be Sent in To-Morrow.

Washington, June 15.—The president intends to send to the senate tomorrow the Hawaiian annexation treaty. It is stated there will be no consideration of the Hawaiian reciprocity provision in the tariff bill until the treaty arrives. The only important point in which it differs from the treaty drafted during Harrison's administration is the omission of the provision for any compensation for ex-Queen Liliuokalani and Princess Kaiulani. Under the former treaty the Queen was to have a pension of $20,000 annually and the princess a lump sum of $150,000. It is understood the treaty provides that the further immigration of coolies into the island shall be prohibited and it also prohibits the coming of any Chinese from the island into other parts of the United States.

This afternoon Pettigrew's amendment exempting from protection afforded by tariff all articles controlled by trusts was taken up and discussion thereon begun.

BASE BALL.

National League.

New York 7, St. Louis 4.
Brookly 15, Chicago 4.
Boston 5, Cincinnati 3.
Washington 16, Pittsburg 2.
Cleveland 10, Philadelphia 4.
Baltimore 9, Louisville 7.

Western League.

Indianapolis 7, Kansas City 1.
Columbus 10, Minneapolis 6.
Detroit 17, Milwaukee 7.
Grand Rapids 5, St. Paul 4.

How They Stand.

	Won.	Lost.	Pr. ct
Baltimore	30	9	.769
Boston	29	12	.707
Cincinnati	25	15	.625
New York	21	16	.568
Brooklyn	22	19	.537
Philadelphia	23	21	.523
Cleveland	20	20	.500
Pittsburg	19	21	.475
Louisville	17	24	.415
Chicago	16	26	.381
Washington	14	25	.359
St. Louis	8	36	.182

Hot Wave Continues.

Chicago, June 15.—The hot wave has continued without moderation through all sections except the extreme northeastern states. Scattered thunder storms prevailed the last twenty-four hours from the Mississippi Valley westward to the eastern slope of the Rockies. The indications are for generally fair weather with scattered thunder storms which will prevail throughout the upper lake region and western states.

International Pressmen.

Detroit, June 15.—The annual convention of International pressmen opened this morning. About 100 delegates are present. After the appointment of committees the one on credentials took up the protest against allowing New York city five delegates.

Sheriffs in Session.

Omaha, June 15.—The sixth annual convention of the interstate sheriff's association was called to order this afternoon. Delegates from nine states are present. The session was devoted to addresses and preliminaries. The real work of the convention begins tomorrow.

Mecca Pilgrims Drown.

Colombo Island, Ceylon, June 15.—The British steamer Sultan, with a large number of Mecca pilgrims, foundered near the Island of Socotra. Ten pilgrims were drowned.

Two captains sink the ship.

LUTHERAN UNION.

An Effort to Bring All Who Bear the Name of Luther Into One Body.

HOT WAVE CONTINUES TO-DAY.

Financial Excitement Over Barnato's Death—Splendid Work of Rescue in the Ellis Island Fire—Death at Bloomington.

Mansfield, Ohio, June 15.—The important matter before the Lutheran Synod this morning was the report of the fraternal committee. The committee on fraternal co-operation with other Lutheran bodies submitted its report. The report provides that the basis of co-operation adopted at the last convention of the synod had likewise been adopted by the general council and united synod of the south, and there is now joined in this compact three general bodies having the largest English membership of any denomination in this country. The committee recommended the adoption of the resolution that the synod regarded with favor the proposition made by the general council and united synod of the south looking to a compilation of a common hymn book; and approving the recommendation that an unofficial general conference be held for comparison of views on various doctrinal, liturgical, educational and missionary interests in which all alike are engaged. The committee also asked for an expression of a desire that efforts for closer union of the various bodies of the church be continued to the end that all who bore the name of Luther might in a not far distant future dwell together in the closest fraternal fellowship and love.

BARNEY BARNATO KILLS HIMSELF

South African Diamond King Leaps from an Ocean Steamer.

London, June 15.—A special dispatch from Bunchal, Island of Maderia, off west coast of Morrocco, says that on the arrival there yesterday of the British steamship Scot, which left Table Bay (Cape Town) on June 2 for Southampton, it was announced that Barney Barnato, the South Africa "Diamond King," who was among the passengers, had committed suicide by leaping overboard. His body was recovered.

Sensation in Financial Circles.

London, June 15.—The suicide of Barney Barnato has caused a sensation in financial circles. His office here is besieged this morning by hundreds of eager enquirers. Throgmorton street is filled with excited crowds of brokers discussing the news. The markets as a result are depressed, fractionally lower. The Pall Mall Gazette says he was mentally unwell for three months and has been under constant surveillance.

Details of Barnato's Death.

Funchal, Maderia, June 15.—The following details of the suicide of Barney Barnato have developed: He was in ill health for some time, but seemed to improve after leaving Cape Town, but someone was constantly detailed to watch him. Yesterday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock he seemed in very good spirits, walking up and down the desk on a passenger's arm, when suddenly he wrenched away and jumped overboard. The fourth officer jumped after him but a heavy sea was running and he was unable to save the speculator. The steamer was going 17 knots. As soon as possible it turned about. The fourth officer was picked up exhausted and later the body of Barnato was found floating head downwards. Mrs. Barnato and children were also on board.

Stocks Not Affected.

London, June 15.—Though the stock exchange is excited over Barnato's death there is no panic. It appears, in fact, that Barnato paid very little personal attention to business lately.

THE ELLIS ISLAND FIRE.

Many Lives Saved by the Discipline of the Employes.

New York, June 15.—Last night's fire on Ellis Island, in this harbor, used as a landing place for immigrants, was practically destroyed with everything on the island. The building in which the immigrants are received and housed was all of wood and burned like tinder. It is a tribute to the discipline prevalent on the island that employes succeeded in corralling the several hundred frantic foreigners there and removing all, including sixty invalids, from the island in safety. The financial loss to the government is about $300,000.

Anton Schoverguedt died at his home near Peoria from heart trouble. He was a prominent citizen.

ONCE FAMOUS ATHLETE DEAD.

"Levan" of the Levan Brothers, of Bloomington, Dies in Chicago.

Chicago, June 15.—Fred S. Green, of Bloomington, Ill., died here last night, aged 38, of paralysis. He was for a number of years renowned as an athlete and aerial performer as the original "Levan" of Levan Brothers, Russian athletes. Under this name, with his brothers, he performed in nearly every great city of the world. His remains will be taken to Bloomington for interment.

MARKET REPORT.

BY B. E. TAYLOR.

Chicago, June 15.—Wheat opened a shade lower this morning and lost yesterday's advance. Trade was somewhat better but still show room for enlargement and the market was not inactive. The cables were higher, reflecting the advance of yesterday on this side. Liverpool was ½d higher, and closed ½d above last night. The opening was easier, with traders inclined to sell on cables, which they thought were not high enough, and the decline was momentarily checked there, and then continued, with a later reaction. St. Louis was also a bear factor, being one cent and as weak as it was strong yesterday. Scalpers at Chicago were loaded, while the demand was nil. Cables again complained of the damage to the Danubians crop. Total clearances were 337,000 bushels of wheat and 14,000 barrels of flour, equalling together 468,000 bushels of wheat. Sunday is said to have bought on the break today. The world's available was expected to decrease from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000, and when Bradstreet's report was posted it showed a decrease of 3,868,000 bushels, 2,568 000 east of the Rockies and 1,300,000 bushels in Europe. Commission houses sold, generally, September. Swarts-Dupee were heavy sellers, and Baldwin-Farnham sold 800,000 bushels of July wheat. Minneapolis got 157 cars of wheat today and Duluth got 146, a total of 305, against 330 (Minneapolis 197, Duluth 133) a week ago and 644 (Minneapolis 208, Duluth 442) a year ago.

Corn opened lower for July and at last night's closing for September, and was narrow and close about the opening all day, with fair trade and not inactive market. The market was easier on the rains through Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma. There was considerable selling led by commission houses. Advices from Nebraska say the corn is making rapid progress but the movement will be slow because of farm work. Total clearances 688,000 bushels. World's available increased 2,998,000.

Oats opened about where they closed and were rather inactive, with narrow range and little doing. No features. Trade was fair. World's available showed an increase of 269,000 bushels.

Provisions lower from the start, with small trade and rather inactive market. Cudahy bought 15,000 barrels September pork around $7.80.

Peoria.

Peoria, June 15.—Corn easier; No. 2, 23¾; oats steady; No. 2 white, 21; rye quiet, nominal.

Chicago.

Chicago, June 15.—Butter firm; creameries 11 and 14; dairies 9 and 13; eggs steady, 8½. Live poultry firm; turkeys 7 and 8; chickens 7½; springers 13 and 18; ducks 7 and 8.

St. Louis.

St. Louis, June 15.—Wheat, cash, 83; July 69⅞; corn, cash, 28½; July 27; oats, cash, 18½ July 18½.

New York.

New York, June 15.—July wheat 75; corn 29⅞; oats 23¾.

CHICAGO, ILL., June 15.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
June	——	——	——	70⅝
July	70⅝	70⅝	69	69⅝
Sept	65⅞	65⅞	64⅝	64⅝
Corn—				
June	——	——	——	26⅝
July	24⅞	25⅛	24⅝	25
Sept	26⅛	26⅛	25⅝	25⅞
Oats—				
June	——	——	——	18
July	18⅝	18⅝	18⅛	18⅛
Sept	18½	18⅝	18½	18⅝
Pork—				
July	7.85	7.85	7.85	7.87
Lard				
July	3.75	3.77½	3.72½	3.75½
Ribs				
July	4.45	4.47½	4.40	4.40

July wheat: Puts, 69½; Calls, 70½; Corn, 25⅝.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—14. Estimated, 5. Year ago, 36.
Corn—736; Estimated, 940; a year ago, 894.
Oats—396; Estimated, 400; a year ago, 343.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 10; Corn, 420; Oats, 320.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 24,000; estimated 26,000.
Market 5c higher.
Light, $3.80@3.97½; Mixed, $3.85@3.97½; Heavy, $3.80@3.92½; Rough, $3.30@3.60.
Estimated for to-morrow, 22,000.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 2,500. Market steady.

Presidential Nominations.

Washington, June 15.—The president sent to the senate the nomination of J. G. Brady, of Alaska, to be governor of Alaska, and the following to be commissioners of Alaska: C. W. Tuttle of Indiana, and J. E. Crane of Illinois.

ROYAL
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LAND OF THE MASHONAS.

One of the Most Fertile Parts of East Central Africa.

How the Matabili Conquered the Territory and How They, in Turn, Were Conquered by British Adventurers.

[Special Letter.]

Only the most recent maps of East Central Africa will give the reader the exact location of Mashonaland. The travelers make such rapid progress nowadays that it is hard for the map-makers to keep up with them. Those maps drawn within the past ten years should show Manicaland and the territory of the Matabili, the latter bounding Mashonaland on the west. Although near neighbors, the Matabili have not been very neighborly, and have in past years held the Mashonas in bondage. Yet the Matabili themselves are Zulus who 63 years ago fled from the wrath of the tyrant chief Tchaka, first into the Transvaal, and thence, being pressed by the Boers, into Mashonaland, where in the neighborhood of Buluwayo they located their central "kraal," or capital, a land fruitful and well watered, and in the peaceful Mashonas they found a subservient race over which they could domineer.

So for this period it is impossible to speak of the two races separately, although racially they are very different. When the Matabili "came, saw and conquered" Mashonaland their Julius Cæsar was a bloated monarch called Chief Moselekatse. We use the term "bloated" advisedly, because the Matabili want fat men for their rulers. After running his course of cruelty and of rapine against the Mashonas he died



A SCENE ON THE PUNGWE RIVER.

and was succeeded by his son Lobengula, who reigned for 30 years. He was every inch a king, in the opinion of his loyal subjects, weighing not less than 300 pounds. He is said to have gained much of his size by constant beer-drinking. So important was this element of fatness to his chieftaincy that his majesty had a habit of ordering the beheading of any prominent subject who seemed to be growing too stout! Another crime, by Matabili law, was drinking the king's beer. Lobengula on one occasion ordered his executioner to cut off the nose, ears and arms of a poor wretch who had stolen a bottle of the royal beer.

About four years ago gold was discovered, or rediscovered, in Mashonaland, and King Lobengula gave permission to the South African Chartered company to prospect for it. After a little he regretted the concession, when he found the troops owned by the company had taken possession of the territory which, you will remember, his tribe had forcibly seized 60 years before. Thereupon followed the Matabili war, in which Lobengula was killed, the Matabili driven out, and Manicaland and Mashonaland are now settled by the British, and the people are being civilized. With the dread of their war-



IN THE MATABILI WAR OF 1893.

like neighbors removed, whose savages came year by year to wash their assegais in the blood of the Mashonas, there are great possibilities for this peaceful race.

There is considerable gold in Mashonaland, but a good deal of it has been dug out long centuries ago, for all we can tell to the contrary, in the days of King Solomon, the son of David. A party of prospectors under the guidance of the natives has been shown extensive old workings and reefs stretching over many miles of country. The hands that dug for gold there have long ages ago gone to their rest, for the modern miner now and then comes across a skeleton of a different race to that which now lives in Mashonaland. As such remains crumble into dust when exposed to the light, it is difficult to even guess whence they came who opened these mines. Another strange fact is that they drilled holes in the rocks several inches deep. The question arises, did these ancient miners blast? And, if so, with what? And, if not, why did they drill holes?

While more mineral wealth is to be found in this great tract lying north of the Boer republic (formerly the Transvaal), it is in its agricultural resources that its true wealth must be sought. The land yields two crops each year of corn (called "mealies" in Africa), wheat, oats and barley. Unfortunately but little work can be got out of the natives, who are of the most easy-going and indolent character, like unto the man in this country who claimed to have been "born tired."

In tropical Africa the white man cannot hope to work on a farm and cultivate the soil. The climate does not permit of hard, physical labor. If he attempts to dig, plow, hew or quarry he will soon succumb to the heat or the ever-lurking fevers. Yet in a land so fertile there is much to be gained by the white race as soon as they become acclimated and secure the help of qualified laborers. Probably the Hindoo will fill the requirement in this respect and will make a desirable settler and immigrant, for the negro of central East Africa is too lazy, the Arab arrogant, ignorant and vicious.

In the meantime the region is being settled and the white man is trying to become acclimated. The scenery is grand, indeed. Manicaland has been termed the Switzerland of Africa. There are long valleys in which are park-like stretches of rich verdure, with here and there clumps of trees. From any point of view the hills, rising tier upon tier, close in the horizon. A peculiar feature is the occasional pile of great bowlders, "kopjes" the Boers call them, which distinguishes any picture one may draw on the Pungwe or the Tuli rivers.

While the gold prospector and farmer may be interested more or less in Manica and Mashonaland the Nimrod finds the new territory a perfect hunting field. In the vicinity of the Pungwe river the game most plentiful is buffalo, seacow, elands, harte-beest, blue wildebeest, roan antelope, sable antelope, bush-buck and many smaller kinds of game. The hippopotamus is native here, and the rhinoceros also, and of the latter the white species is occasionally met with. The eland is a magnificent animal, specimens frequently weighing 1,300 to 1,500 pounds. As exciting as any kind of sport is to encounter a herd of buffalo, which, if not as large as his American cousin (now almost extinct), is at all events quite as fierce.

The mighty Nimrod is very glad to get safely away from a herd of say 400 of these animals as they make a mad rush, with heads down and tails erect, the very earth trembling to their stampede. While the lion is one of the first of wild animals to leave on the approach of the settlers he is still occasionally met with in the old forest growth of the rivers and is a dangerous foe indeed when he dashes on the unsuspecting hunter from his lurking place behind a huge kopje.

Among the picturesque natives of Mashonaland and Manica is Maquaniqua, queen of the Mashonas, whose sway extends over many kraals in the valley watered by the Revue river and from Umtali toward Masse-Kesse. At the battle of Chua she brought her people to fight for the British and led them herself. When they ran away, as Mashonas generally do, she smashed in with her battleax the heads of as many runaways as she could catch. She herself remained under fire, the rifle bullets whistling around her, with equanimity. The queen is a fine specimen of African humanity, with a splendid, coarse physique and an ugly, brutal face. She has generally three or four consorts, but when she tires of them she prefers knocking them on the head with a spiked club to any other kind of divorce.

Mequaniqua's nephew is King Me Tassa, chief of Manicsland, and he, too, is stalwart, dignified and dirty. His majesty puts on much of the pomp and ceremony which distinguishes civilized monarchs. For instance, a herald always precedes him as he enters a kraal or settlement, shouting:

"Here comes Me Tassa, the chief!
The Lord of the Sun and Moon!
The dog that prowls by night!
The slayer of white men!
The conqueror of the lion!
Hail to Me Tassa, the chief!"

and a great many more titles. Then come his followers—a rather ragged looking crew, one now and then adorned with an old "plug" hat. To these succeeds a man carrying a battle ax of beautifully polished ebony, curiously inlaid with brass. After these forerunners the king himself—a tall, stout man with woolly hair, but rather good features. He wears a toga-like garment of blue and white, ragged and dirty, for state occasions a lion's hide cloak, and at all times an English cricketer's cap of blue flannel. Such is majesty in East Central Africa.

This territory is capable of supporting an immense population. That it is not already open to all the world is in a great measure due to the Boers who, until recently, claimed a suzerainty on all the lands not owned by the Portuguese south of the Zambesi river.

JAMES IRVING CRABBE.

EDHEM PASHA.

A War Correspondent's View of the Turkish General.

Edhem Pasha understands war thoroughly, but it took him a little time to appreciate the functions of a war correspondent. He seemed to think that the latter should be hedged about by many restrictions, tenderly fostered and safely deposited during a battle among the baggage animals and the knights of the hospital. It was some time before he realized that the expectation of witnessing and describing a battle was the one thing which procured him the honor of these gentlemen's company in his camp. One anxious morning, at a time when war was thought to be imminent, on sending round to headquarters it appeared that the general and all his staff had flitted during the night and had gone no man would say whither. No orders had been left and the guards would allow no one to pass. Here was a case of dire disappointment, but no man may run the gauntlet of an Albanian guard with impunity. When the general returned a joint representation was made and he was entreated not to allow this kind of thing to occur again. He expressed his penitence and promised a timely warning of any unexpected move.

It may be interesting to mention that Edhem Pasha, the central figure of this little world, is about 45 years of age, though he looks older. He is rather above middle height and wears a short, thick, black beard, already flecked with gray. His nose is straight and rather long, but his most interesting feature is his gray eyes, which are large and intelligent. His manner is very attractive—a mixture of that courtesy and dignity which are not uncommon among Turkish officers.

He does not strike one as a strong man physically, though I am told he is a hard worker and does not spare himself. His manner of talking is as a rule quiet and marked by much refinement and gravity; but it grows animated when a subject kindles his interest, and his eyes glow with enthusiasm. It is difficult to judge of a man's sense of humor through the barriers of a strange language. His style of life is simple and he has none of the oriental love of display. In character he seems to be straightforward and sincere, frank and truth-loving. Trickery and intrigue, diplomacy and politics he alike detests. His subordinates and those who see him more intimately are very fond of him.

"He treats us," one of the aids-de-camp said to me, "not as a superior, but as a father."—London Telegraph.

Great Britain and Zanzibar.

At last slavery has been abolished in Zanzibar. On April 6 the sultan issued a decree which abolishes the legal status—incredible as it sounds, we have actually been enforcing plantation slavery in the islands ever since we took possession of them. Compensation is to be awarded for slaves legally held, and, if Zanzibar is unable to meet the expenditure, help is to be given by England. The clauses as to compensation are said to have made the Arabs receive the decree without discontent, and there is reported to be no probability of resistance. The Arabs, say the telegrams, were so-cowed by the recent bombardment that they will not show fight. It is asserted, however, that in future the greater portion of the clove crop will remain unpicked. We doubt it. If the cloves are worth picking—i. e., will pay for picking—the owners will be able to get people to pick them. We cannot refrain from saying that the story of our dealings with slavery in Zanzibar is extremely discreditable. Till forced into better ways by public opinion the foreign office refused to act upon what was long ago settled to be the cardinal policy of this country—the policy of abolishing slavery whenever and wherever we had the power and opportunity.—London Spectator.

Author and Critic.

Struggling Dramatist—I left a play here last month to be examined.

Theater Manager—Yes, sir; wait a moment and I will see whether the stage carpenter has accepted it or not.—N. Y. Weekly.



Many people walk on the very edge of danger all unconsciously. They do not wake up to the truth that the slight symptoms of weakness which they feel may, at any instant, take a plunge into serious or fatal illness.

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One lot of Ladies' Silk Club Ties, all new styles, Persian patterns, closing out price 5c each.

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LADIES' BELTS.

One lot of Leather Belts, worth 25c, closing out price 15c each.

One lot of Leather Belts, worth from 40c to 75c, closing out price 25c each.

One lot of Metal Belts, worth from 35c to 85c, closing out price 25c each.

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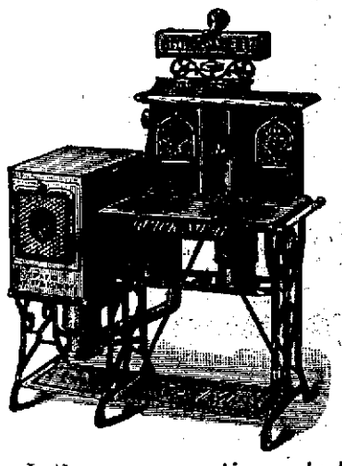
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Couldn't "See It."

A man died at the age of 79 years the other day He was born in Kansas, raised in Kansas, married in Kansas, never left Kansas, and was buried in Kansas, and still he never saw a circus, never saw a nickel-in-the-slot machine and never saw a railroad or a train of cars. He wasn't blind, either, but he made up his mind that they couldn't be much, and he never knew what he missed. There are people in Decatur who fool themselves out of many a good thing simply because they WON'T see; mothers who buy thiegs for boys. They've HEARD about us, about our clothes, about our prices, but they've simply made up their minds that neither we, nor our clothes, nor our prices amount to much—and THEY DON'T SEE. We are selling Children's Wash Suits for 50c that many a store gets 75c for. We are selling Wash Knee Pants for 25c. You'll pay double if you don't get out of your old rut and see what's going on.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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The circus left for Springfield at an early hour this morning.

First $2 excursion to Chicago via Illinois Central Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20.—8-td

He who spits at the wind spits in his own face.

Two dollars to Chicago and return on Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20, via Illinois Central railroad.—8-td

The Springfield Fishing club will have its annual fish fry June 16.

First of the season to Chicago only $2 round trip, via I. C. railroad, Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20.—8-td

He who wants a faultless friend remains friendless.

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Eat and drink with a friend, but do not trade with him.

You should see the Reed & Sons and Haines upright pianos at the C. B. Prescott music house. They are beauties and can be had at low figures.

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps, lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps, and water elevators, 223 N. Main st. Durfee & Culp. May 25-dtf

Yesterday Mrs. McHenry, Mrs. L. N. Cope, Mrs. Gus Nitsche, Mrs. Fred Quimsly and Mrs. H. J. Votaw, of Olive Branch Camp Royal Neighbors had charge of the public dinner served in the vacant room in the Loeb building on North Water street.

First of the season. $2 excursion to Chicago via Illinois Central on Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20. Tickets good going on 7:10 a. m. and 11:52 a. m. trains of Saturday and Diamond Special of Sunday morning. Tickets limited to return on June 20—8-dtd.

Gents, now is the time to look up your spring suit of clothes or overcoat and have them re-dyed, cleaned or pressed in first-class style by people who are experts and practical dyers and cleaners at Miller's Steam Dying and Dry Cleaning establishment, 145 North Main street.

The will of Mrs. Anna Melchoirs was filed Monday. The property was estimated to be worth $2000. There is a bequest of $50 for Father Joseph Spaeth, $50 for Father D. Lammert, $100 for Father Alois Teppe, and the rest of the property is divided among her three children. A. Spaeth is made executor.

The Decatur Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution will meet with Mrs. W. T. Wells on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. There will be a paper on "The American Flag" by Mrs. V. G. Hatch in honor of the anniversary of the adoption of the flag, which occurred on the 14th, and the events connected with the battle of Bunker Hill will be revived, the 17th being the anniversary of this little unpleasantness.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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J. R. Robinson.	T. T. Springer.

CITY LEGISLATION.

Ordinances Passed for $150,000 in Street Paving Improvements.

ASPHALT GRANTED TO NORTH MAIN

Annual Appropiation is $111,000, About $20,000 Less Than Last Year —Business in Detail.

At the meeting of the council last night the aldermen passed ordinances for more paving than was ever provided for at any other previous meeting. The amount of pavig provided for will probably amount to $150,000. All of it will of course not be done this year. Three kinds of paving was ordered—asphalt, brick with concrete foundation, and two course brick.

About Paving.

A petition from the residents of North Main street asked that the thoroughfare be paved with asphalt 38 feet wide with the best quality of Thinidad asphalt guaranteed to last for five years, and not to cost more than $2.05 a yard. On motion of Mr. Montgomery the petition was granted.

Property owners on West Wood street asked that the street be paved with brick with a concrete foundation. This was also granted.

A petition for about fifteen persons asking that the peddlers' license be payable semi-monthly in advance was referred to the ordinance committee.

Owners of property between Wood and Main streets from Pine to Union asked that the alley be not paved. The petition was granted.

Property owners asked that South Main street from Wood to Decatur not be paved. They said that street was now in good shape and had cost the people considerable money to put it in that condition. The petition was referred to the public improvement committee.

A petition objecting to the grading and graveling of Cree street was granted.

Property owners remonstrated against the paving of Division street and it was referred to the public improvement committee.

Special Policemen.

W. H. Horton asked to be appointed a special policeman. A motion was made to refer the matter to the mayor and city marshal, but there was an objection to this by Mr. Gogerty as he claimed that the mayor had no right to appoint special policemen and allow them a salary from the city. The matter was finally referred to the mayor and the city attorney was instructed to look up the law and report at the next meeting whether or not it was legal for the mayor to appoint the special policemen and allow them a salary.

A. Ford asked for a salary of $15 per month from the city as special police in the levee district. The matter was deferred until the city attorney reports on the legality of such a salary.

Adopted.

The public improvement commitee recommended the adoption of the specifications of City Engineer Dickerson for paving be adopted. The report was adopted.

To Pave with Asphalt.

A recommendation from the public improvement committee that North Main shall be paved with asphalt 36 feet from the Wabash tracks to the city limits was read. An ordinance for the work was passed and was voted for by all the aldermen excepting Ammann.

Appropriations.

The appropriation ordinance was presented by the finance committee. Alderman Gogerty had $500 taken from the public improvement and added to the sidewalk and crossing appropriation. The ordinance as adopted was as follows:

Public Improvemment	$ 4,500
Waterworks	16,000
Fire Department	19,800
Police Department	15,000
Salaries City Officers	10,600
Light and Gas	4,000
Streets and Alleys	1,500
Cleaning streets	4,000
Repairing paved streets	4,000
Interest on Bonds	3,060
Sinking Fund	4,742
Sidewalks and Crossings	2,560
Cleaning sidewalks and crossings	1,000
Public Library	3,500
Contingent	1,657
Public Parks	2,500
Health Department	1,100
Law Department	1,000
Rent	1,500
Totals	$111,000

The park commissioners and the library board will have about $6000 each as they will get money from the tax levy next February. The $2500 allowed by the ordinance to the park commissioners is practically only loaned as it will be paid back when they get their tax money. The finance committee did not recommend the raising of $30,000 by bond for public improvement.

Street Pavements Ordinanced.

The following streets were ordered paved:

Wood street from Haworth avenue to Oakland avenue, 38 feet wide. This ordinance was first for wide, six inches of concrete and a single course of brick. This ordinance was first for two courses of brick, and was changed to make it concrete, in accordance with the petition of the property owners granted earlier. The vote was 7 for concrete to 6 against. Voting aye—Bold, Drake, Gogerty, Gebhart, Knowlton, Montgomery, Young. Voting nay—Ammann, Dewitt, Keefe, Mathias, Wagy, Watson. There was some talk about a coal tar filling between the bricks, Dewitt saying that it was better than the grout ordered. He said it had just been adopted at Terre Haute. Engineer Dickerson said grout was better and was more generally used. Coal tar carried by a vote of 7 to 6.

Broadway from Wabash avenue to Sangamon, 40 feet wide, two courses of brick, grout filling. A motion to make that tar filling lost by a vote of 7 to 6.

Herkimer street from Water to Jasper street, and Jasper street from Herkimer to Locust, 36 feet wide, grout filling. This read first to pave Herkimer from Morgan only, but it was amended to go farther west to Water.

North street from College to Vandyke, and Pine street from North to Eldorado, 60 feet wide with two courses of brick and grout filler.

South Main 36 feet wide, from Wood to Decatur. There was great talk over this pavement. The ordinance first read from Wood to a point 60 feet south of lot 1 of D. L. Allen's addition. Montgomery said the property fronting on Main south of Decatur was in small strips while the property back of it, owned by M. F. Kanan and D. A. Maffit, will be benefitted but will not have to pay anything. Dewitt said people wanted the pavement if it went south of Decatur street, but not otherwise. The pavement stopped at Decatur street by a vote of 7 to 6. Voting aye—Ammann, Bold, Drake, Gebhart, Montgomery, Wagy, Young. Voting nay—Dewitt, Gogerty, Keefe, Knowlton, Mathias, Watson.

Sangamon from Broadway to Morgan, Morgan from Wabash avenue to Herkimer, with two courses of brick, 36 feet wide. Gogerty moved that it be laid on the table. Bold seconded, but it was lost by a vote of 11 to 2. Voting nay were Gogerty and Bold. The ordinance was then passed.

Monroe from Eldorado to Packard and Packard from Monroe to Vandyke, two courses of brick, grout filling, 36 feet wide.

West Eldorado from end of pavement to Vandyke street, 40 feet wide. This pavement is to be made of six inches of concrete, a top course of brick.

Sangamon from Morgan to Jasper and Jasper south to Eldorado and north to graveled road, with two courses of brick, 38 feet wide, grout filler. The ordinance did not at first include the north end of Jasper street, but Gogerty said he was directly interested but if it was not run to the gravel road he would fight it to the end. Knowlton said Calhoun should be paved north instead of Jasper. The pavement was extended north on Jasper and the ordinance passed.

Resolutions.

By Wagy and Drake—That the alley between Main and Water be paved from North street to the Wabash railroad. Referred.

By Ammann and Bold—That D. M. Garver be instructed to drain the pond of water on his property east of the filter plant. Referred to street and alley committee with power to act.

By Gogerty—That the residents of wards where city work is being done be employed so as to equalize the work for the benefit of unemployed in each ward. Adopted.

By Gogerty—That the street superintendent be instructed to bring Jasper street to grade between Eldorado and Orchard. Referred.

By Bold and Ammann—That Jonhson avenue be brought to grade, graveled, guttered with brick and curbed with stone from Webster to Peake. Referred.

Attention, W. R. C. and G. A. R.

All the members of Dunham Relief Corps and Dunham Post are requested to meet at the Post hall at 8 o'clock sharp Tuesday evening for a few minutes' consultation in which the Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid are also requested to participate. The meeting will be short so as not to interfere with the regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid. W. F. Calhoun, Commander Dunham Post. Mrs. Sue Abel, President Dunham Relief Corps.

The Races at Peoria.

The Peoria races will begin on July 6 and Saturday night a large number of fast horses have been entered for the meeting. Among the number are those belonging to D. W. Brenneman known as Will Wayne, MoW, Fanny McGuire and Jay Wilkes.

The Decatur races will be held in August.

Excursion to Mackinaw.

The Grace M. E. Sunday school will give an excursion and picnic to Mackinaw Thursday, June 17. Friends of the school and the public generally are very cordially invited to go with them. Fare for the round trip 50 cents, children under 15 years 25 cents. The train will leave the Union depot at 7:30 a. m.—11-d&t.

Homes for Four Orphans.

Mrs. Emma J. Brown, chairman of the employment home committee of the Woman's Relief Corps, visited the poor farm today and secured the orphan of a veteran and took him to the Illinois Orphans' Home at Normal. This makes the fourth child Mrs. Brown has taken to Normal in a month.

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CENTRAL ILLINOIS.

Senator D. T. Littler Says It Has Produced Seventy-Five Successive Good Crops.

State Senator David T. Littler of Springfield, was in Washington last week, and an interview had the following to say about central Illinois and its agricultural resources:

"I aver that there is no section of the universe the equal of central Illinois in the production of corn. The southern part of our state got its name of Egypt from the early settlers, who came from the poorer states of the east, for to them it seemed a paradise in comparison with the country they had left; but Egypt is not in it with the central belt of the state, nor is northern Illinois, justly renowned for its fertility, quite so good. Why, in Sangamon county, where some of my friends live, we have a record of 75 years of continuous good corn crops—not one failure in that unbroken stretch of three-quarters of a century, and never a season when the country did not have plenty of grain to export. Talk about Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska equalling central Illinois in raising grain! There is something in our soil that makes it a world beater in the production of maize. I remember some years ago that succeeding a rain which fell on the 12th of June I planted my corn on the 15th and 16th thereafter, and that not another drop of rain fell on my fields until frost came. In spite of this drouth, which lasted 140 days, my crop yielded an average of 40 bushels to the acre. In Kansas or Nebraska it would not have produced one bushel under such conditions. Speaking of corn reminds me that I have faith in its bringing a better price at no distant day. If I had not I would not have held two crops nor be making preparations to store the crop of this year. Its present price of 20 cents a bushel is far too low, and the man who is able to hold for a rise will make money."

List of Patents.

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C.:

T. Andrews, Monmouth, cultivator; C. W. Dunn, Sr., Quincy, bellows; P. A. Eklund, Rock Island, separable button G. Greenlee, Belvidere, vehicle axle; J. S. House, Springfield, vehicle wrench; W. E. Huber, Kankakee, letter box; J. Littlejohn, Aurora, milk aerator; W. A. Peak, Exeter, churn; H. A. Smith, Elgin, wrench; W. R. White, Bloomington, gate; J. H. Wilson, Trumbull, toy gun; W. F. Woodruff, Rockford, base for furniture. For copy of any patent send 10 cents in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

Death of Michael Walsh.

Michael Walsh died at his late home, 508 North Jasper street, at 8:15 o'clock Monday night, of paralysis, aged 82 years Deceased was a native of County Kilkeary, Ireland, and came to this country in 1853. A short time after his arival in this country he was married to Miss Margaret Brennock and his wife and three daughters survive him. The daughters are Mrs. Joseph Atkinson and Mrs. Wm. Keller of Decatur, and Mrs. Frank Osborne, of Ft. Worth.

Marriages.

Married, at the parsonage of the U. B. church June 13, at 9 a. m., by Rev. M. B. Spayd, Mr. Bernard Baldwin to Miss Nellie E. Walker, both of Decatur. They will live at 1100 North Clayton street with Mr. Baldwin's parents.

Married, at the parsonage of the U. B. church on June 14 at 4 p. m., Mr. William Needham of Decatur, to Miss Etta Elliott of Logansport, Ind., by Rev. M. B. Spayd.

Wabash Business.

President Ashley of the Wabash, was at St. Louis headquarters yesterday on his regular trip west. He talks hopefully of the business outlook generally, and reports a steady improvement in financial conditions. The Wabash expects very satisfactorily results from the extension of its passenger line from Detroit to Buffalo. The Buffalo division was opened Sunday.

Rat Killers.

A rat hunt was indulged in by about 60 Newman, Ill., sports yesterday afternoon, and 2280 rodents were slain. It was estimated that a hedge fence about half a mile in length near the slaughter house, just south of the city, is inhabited by from 5000 to 10,000 rats. Col. George White arranged the hunt. Nothing but clubs and pitchforks were used as weapons.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—jan3-8d&wtf

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TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, June 15.—Generally fair tonight and Wednesday except conditions are favorable for local thunder storms; continued warm; winds most southeasterly.

No Such Speed Ever Made.

People who are impatient about the supposed delay of congress in passing the tariff bill should look a little into the history of tariff legislation in the United States. No congress, even when both of its branches were controlled by a single party, has, within the memory of the present generation, made the progress which this one has with a tariff bill, and no president since Washington has had an opportunity to attach his signature to a tariff law within as brief a space of time as will William McKinley, unless some entirely unexpected development shall interrupt the progress toward its early completion. There is good reason to believe that the tariff bill will pass the senate within the present month and that President McKinley will have an opportunity to sign it within four months of the date of his inauguration. Even President Lincoln, who came into office under extraordinary conditions and circumstances, and with war in prospect, did not sign his first tariff act until August 5, 1861. President William Henry Harrison called congress in special session shortly after his inauguration on March 4, 1841, because of the condition of finances and revenue, yet that congress did not put its tariff bill upon the statute books until August 30, 1842. President Polk, who was inaugurated on March 4, 1845, did not sign his tariff act until July 30, 1846; Pierce, who was inaugurated in 1853, signed his tariff act March 3, 1857; Grant was inaugurated March 4, 1869, and signed his first tariff act July 14, 1870, and another June 6, 1872; the Garfield administration was inaugurated March 4, 1881, yet the tariff act signed by President Arthur was dated March 3, 1883; President Benjammin Harrison was inaugurated March 4, 1889, and signed his first tariff act October 1, 1890; Grover Cleveland and his free trade congress came into power March 4, 1893, yet the Wilson tariff bill which he refused to sign did not become a law until August 28, 1894. In nearly all of the above cases both branches of congress were in accord with the chief executive politically, a single party controlling the senate as well as the house. When it is considered that the Republican party, which controls the house, has now but 43 of the 89 members of the senate, the fact that its leaders have been able to make the speed which they have developed in the consideration of this and other important legislation should satisfy the most exacting, if they but take the trouble to compare present conditions and present progress with that of any other period in the history of the country.

The senate is likely to reject Senator Tillman's proposition for investigation of charges of control of the tariff schedule by the sugar trust. Denials by all the men who framed the bill, coming from the class of men they do, are considered a sufficient refutation of these charges, even Democratic and Populist senators saying frankly that they think the proposed investigation unnecessary and unwise.

Good progress is being made by the administraton in consideration of the Cuban question. Meanwhile the demand for instant action which was so strongly marked a fortnight ago has disappeared, and following it has come a feeling that attempts to force the administration to act before it should obtain the proper information would be not only an injustice to it but to Americans and the American nation.

Democratic managers in the various states where elections are to be held this fall are looking askance at the proposal of Mr. Bryan to come over and "help them out." They remember with a thrill of anxiety that 32 of the 36 states which Mr. Bryan visited in the last campaign went Republican, many of them for the first time in many years.

Crop prospects in the United States are excellent. The farmers have been the most prosperous members of the community during the past year, and if the prospects of the coming year are realized, the drift which has been from the country to the cities in the past few years will be reversed.

The improvement in business conditions is indicated by the fact that the last week's failures were of the smallest of any week since the early part of 1895.

Vagrants.

In Justice Hardy's court today four strangers, with no visible means of support, were sent to the county jail ten days each for vagrancy.

WRECK AT BLUE MOUND.

An Engine and Nine Freight Cars are Badly Broken—Through Freight Ran On a Side Track.

There was a bad freight wreck on the Wabash at Blue Mound at 8 o'clock this morning. An engine and about nine cars were badly damaged. A local freight had been switching and had left a number of cars on the side track. The switch had not been turned back and when the fast freight came through it ran off on the inside track and struck the cars. The engine was turned over and the cars behind it were piled up along the track. The engineer and fireman as soon as they saw there would be a collision jumped from the locomotive and were not hurt. The cars on the track were also broken. In all about nine cars were almost totally wrecked and several flat cars were broken. The engine was badly damaged. The box cars were loaded with railroad ties and one with potatoes.

The wreck train went from Decatur and a large force of men were at once put to work clearing away the wreck. There are two switches in the town and one of them wass cleared quickly of the wreckage and the passenger trains went around the wreck on this switch so that there was very little detention. This afternoon the wreck crew was still at work.

Dauntless at It Again.

Jacksonville, Fla., June 15.—The United States grand jury had before it this afternoon Commander Elmer and Lieut. Shipley of the Marblehead, the two so-called special treasury agents. What was revealed cannot be learned.

A report from Miami states that a large quantity of arms was shipped from Biscayne Saturday and Sunday. A steamer went out and loaded them on a schooner, the latter going south to meet the Dauntless, as per prearranged plans. It is supposed they met and that the cargo was transferred, and the Dauntless went to Cuba. Key West reports state that the Dauntless had trouble in getting out of the harbor, having been caught in shoal water and being compelled to send to Key West for aid. She got off later, and put to sea. Subsequently the cutter McLane and cruiser Marblehead started in pursuit, it is said, but it is thought they are too late to catch her.

A Rare Musical Treat.

The grand concert to be given at the Opera house Tuesday evening, June 22, by the choral society, assisted by the wonderful contralto soloist, Miss Catherine Fisk, of Chicago, will be a rare musical treat. The very best local talent with a select orchestra will be heard. Seats 25, 35 and 50 cents. You cannot afford to miss hearing this concert. The chorus, as well as the solo work, will be as good as any city can produce with the same number of voices. Note the date. Plat opens Saturday morning —d andwit.

American Tobacco Co, Trial Will Proceed.

New York, June 15.—Judge Fitzgerald has decided that the trial of the American Tobacco company officials should proceed with the jury originally selected. William J. Bryan, against whom certain charges of indiscretion were preferred, remains a juror. The prosecuting attorney has threatened to proceed against the reporter, the editor and proprietor of the Morning Journal on the ground of interference with the administration of justice.

Closed Their Business.

The firm of Lacey, Brown & Company, grain men in the Fenton block, have closed their business. George Z. Scott, who was connected with the business drew out of the firm last week. E. T. Lacey and R. B. Brown, the other members of the firm, left today for Chicago. Business was not as good as they hoped and they have gone to seek another location.

Inquisition.

In the county court today on petition Judge Hammer appointed Dr. H. C. Jones and Dr. John H. Miller a commission to make an examination of Lathrop Kazar, aged about 78 years, as to his alleged insanity. The commission will perform its duty at 4 o'clock this afternoon and submit a report in court.

Get Their Money Back.

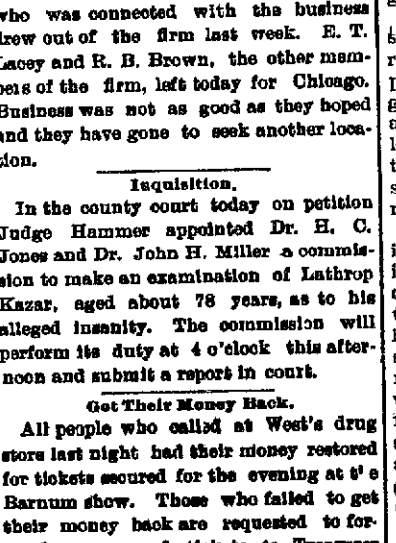
All people who called at West's drug store last night had their money restored for tickets secured for the evening at the Barnum show. Those who failed to get their money back are requested to forward names and tickets to Treasurer Young of the Barnum & Bailey show at Peoria, Ill., and the money will be refunded without delay.

France vs American Pork.

Paris, June 15.—The customs committee of the chamber of deputies adopted the propsal to impose a duty of 12 francs per hundred kilos on foreign pork and 8 francs on pigs weighing under 26 kilos.

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CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

LADIES' FASHIONS.

Some Seasonable Suggestions Regarding Costumes.

Grass lawn seems to have taken a new lease of life and bids fair to become a greater favorite even than it proved last summer. It appears in so many beautiful effects that it is certainly hard to pass by in making a selection of summer-textiles. Fine sheer grass lawn is to be worn over daintily-colored glace silks, many of which are first accordion-plaited.

The flowered muslins intended for dresses, blouses and Marie Antonette fichus are particularly fine in quality and exquisite in design and coloring. Surplice or crossed bodices are very desirable when transparent materials are used, and fashion is for once consistent and favors this graceful form of bodice When the figure is high, the slightly-bloused front is approved. The drooped textile should be transparent. In this case, while giving apparent length to the waist, the airiness of the material does not impart an appearnce of thickness to it.

The designers of the latest French pelerines, fichus and yoked-shoulder capes show a decided partiality for lace instead of chiffon or mousseline de sole in the decorations of these dainty garments.

Very many of the organdy and flowered and dotted muslin dresses have plain-tinted batiste or lawn for the foundation skirt and waist lining instead of the taffeta on which they were formerly mounted. The batiste lining makes a cooler gown, and a more dainty, if a little less rich looking one, and this soft lining can be had in all the pretty shades of pink, lilac, yellow, green or other tints that form the backgrounds of figured muslins.

Fancy duck costumes in white, cream, ecru and blue are made with a short bolero elaborately trimmed with insertion or rows of white braid, or else a blazer that extends about six inches below the waist line. The jacket has no lining, neither has the gored skirt, which is about four yards wide, narrow on the front and sides, and full at the back.

The handsome English serges and mohair in fine all-wool are still the best and most appropriate selections for neat, stylish gowns for traveling and for morning wear on cool days out of town. A narrow belt and a silver buckle, an open jacket and a vest or shirt waist complete more than two-thirds of the costumes of this description. The rest are made with boleros or Norfolk waists and a seven-gored skirt completes the suit. For the girl who elects for simple styles, the open tailor-made jacket-bodice, double-breasted pique vest and four-yard untrimmed skirt are selected as being close to the regulation masculine severity of style deemed essential to the smart utility gowning of the stylish maidens of the summer of '97.—N. Y. Post.

HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

Odd Items of Useful Information for the Housewife.

An old family recipe for ginger beer that is easily made is this.

Put one and one-half pounds of granulated sugar in a large crock or bowl add two ounces of pure ground ginger and one lemon sliced thin. Pour over these eight quarts of boiling water and occasionally stir until the liquid becomes lukewarm; then add one-quarter of a yeast cake that has been dissolved mix well, and when perfectly cold strain into bottles and fasten the corks securely. Keep the bottles in a moderate temperature 12 hours, and then put them in a cold place. This beer will be ready to use in four or five days.

It is said that if horseradish is applied to the temples when one is suffering from a neuralgic headache it will give relief.

In French cooking the "bouquet of sweet herbs," which is so often given in recipes, is composed of a few sprigs of parsley, a piece of thyme, a clove of garlic, a bay leaf, a couple of cloves, and some peppercorns. Wrap the parsley around the other herbs and tie a thread around them. Put into soups or sauces in this shape it is then easily removed.

A dish of English design for the serving of honey is very appropriately made in the shape of a large bee. An amber-colored glass body holds the honey; this fits in a framework of silver, which is so shaped as to form the feet and a standard for the dish, while the cover is made of two prettily chased silver wings on little hinges, which open in the middle by a wing turning back on each side. The head is also of silver, and the attractive creature has ruby eyes. The glass body is movable and can be lifted from the frame.

Try soaking your lamp wicks in vinegar for a few hours before they are put into the lamps; they will give a better and clearer light. The wick must be thoroughly dried after it has been soaked before being put in the lamp.

Often very rich cream will not whip up readily; it should have a little milk added to it. Cream should be very cold to whip easily and quickly. If it is well chilled there is not the danger of the cream whipping to butter as housekeepers frequently complain it does.—N. Y. Sun.

The case of the People vs W. F. Schlipf, who is charged with wife desertion, came up in Justice O'Mara's court today. The complaining witness failed to prosecute and the case was dismissed.

—T. J. Russell and wife, of Milwaukee, are in the city visiting their daughter, Mrs. George Z. Scott.

This evening at the Antioch Baptist church Mrs. Charles Esmond will deliver a lecture. All are invited to be present.

Relics of the damage done by the circus wagons to the brick on North Water street can be seen at Engineer Dickerson's office. They are in a basket.

SAVED BY THE FASHION.

How Life and Limb Have Been Protected by the Fads of Style.

Our dress has often been ridiculed for its want of beauty. We are told there is nothing artistic and in many cases little pertaining to comfort in nineteenth century garments.

The habiliment of some of our continental neighbors is far superior, both in elegance and usefulness, to our own, so it is said, but we do not question this statement, as it is not our present duty to pick out the drawbacks of a dress that has satisfied us so long.

Ugly as is our customary mode, it has more than once been the means of saving the life of the wearer or been instrumental in preventing accidents which might have proved serious or fatal.

A gentleman wearing a collar of extreme height and rigidity while reposing idly on a heathery moorland fell into a doze, but roused himself to find something moving about his neck, and was just prevented putting his hand on the place by a companion, who at that moment glanced up from his paper.

The troublecome visitor was a large adder, which, coiling its slimy body round the gentleman's throat, would probably have bitten him severely but for the unusual height of the linen band that has been a favorite point of attack of the dress reformers for an inconceivable period.

By an adroit movement the friend caught the reptile behind the head, thus preventing injury to his hand. The collar, however, was impaired in the momentary struggle, and an ugly stain was pointed out as the deadly ejection of the poisonous fangs.

High heels—those peglike elevations which we are induced to believe have caused untold misery to the feet of women of fashion—have at least one good service to their credit—in saving the life of a fair mountaineer.

This foolish person essayed the climbing of precipitous cliffs in French kid boots, with heels of the peculiar bell shape once so fashionable, and on the present occasion it was well that she did not wander far from her companions.

Her activity, despite the unsuitability of her leathern elevations for mountaineering, was irrepressible, and venturing too near the edge of a jutting rock she slipped, and her frightened companions expected to see her dashed to atoms on the ledges below.

But, no! The high heel which had occasioned her fall became entangled in the thick brier branches and was sufficiently strong to support the venturesome woman for the few moments until her friends could obtain a firm grip of her limbs and restore her safely to the mountain path.

When examined, the shoe was found to be nearly dismembered—the heel hanging by a few rivets only. An ordinary mountain boot, with a flat, square heel, would have offered no angle of support for the briers, and under other than the present circumstances the climber would certainly have met with a terrible death.

An incident somewhat similar, but of not so dangerous a character, has been reported of a young fashionable, who had occasion to ride on the outside of an ominbus through a crowded thoroughfare.

Leaning over the rails, he overbalanced himself and would have been thrown in the midst of the traffic but for the reason that the bottoms of his trousers were turned up in that unreasonable style once more prevalent than at present with the exquisites of fashion.

The turned-up hem was slung on the edge of the rail, while the scared youth dangled, with frantic arms sprawling, over the windows, with a face as red as a beet root.

A fellow-passenger released him from above and he was permitted to drop into the arms of the conductor. A fall from such an elevation would have meant a dislocated shoulder or a broken leg at least.

What romance or history can be connected with the ugly chimney-pot hat? Yet quite lately one of these inartistic creations saved the life of a venturesome gentleman. Strolling beyond high-water mark, he suddenly discovereed himself caught by the tide, and, being hemmed in by beetling, inaccessible rocks, all means of escape seemed cut off.

The water rushed in and the terrified gentleman was taken off his feet, with not a boat in sight to render him deliverance nor a person to hear his distressed cries. Unable to swim, he would soon have been drowned but for a little occurrence which proved his salvation.

During his struggle the silk hat he wore was dashed off his head and the man clutching at it as the only attainable object was surprised to find that it buoyed him up.

His arms were clasped, encircling the brim, while the top of the hat, partly submerged, resisted the water. By maintaining this position he was enabled to keep himself afloat for nearly 15 minutes, at the end of which time a boat rounded the cliffs. The boatman, observing him, quickly rescued him from an inevitable fate.—London Tit-Bits.

The Prince of Liars.

Baron Munchausen, the prince of liars, was not entirely a creation of Raspe, a German refugee, who was a protege of Horace Walpole, and who published "The Surprising Adventures of the Baron" in 1786. The Fatherland only the other day celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of the great prevaricator, who was really a German officer and served in several campaigns with the Russians against the Turks. His whole name was Jerome Charles Frederic von Munchausen.—Chicago News.

—The royal arsenal at Woolrich employs about 14,000 workmen, and has 40 miles of internal railways.

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DOLLARS AND CENTS.

It Is a Question That Will Confront Our Minister to Turkey.

Dr. Angell Will Have to Live on $10,000 a Year While His Associates Have Many Times That Amount.

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When the much-debated matter of the appointment of an American envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary who shall be persona grata to the sublime porte is finally stacked away in the lumber-room of time with other nine-day questions, the new representative of the United States will find himself face to face with an old difficulty in Constantinople.

It's a difficulty of dollars and cents.

It's a familiar criticism of our diplomatic service that the American ministers, by reason of the smaller salaries paid them, are unable to entertain as liberally as their colleagues. One of them met the criticism a few years ago by spending more than his official salary for house rent alone, and dipping freely into his private barrel to supply the means for a sumptuous menage.

The contrast between American and European diplomacy is in this respect nowhere greater than in Constantinople. The salary of the American minister is $10,000, with no allowance for house rent. In ordinary times few questions are likely to arise between the porte and the United States, so that the post is considered less important than those at western courts. On the other hand, the Bosphorus is a mighty interesting point to six at least of the great European powers, and their best and ripest diplomats are sent there and paid generous salaries. There, if anywhere, the superiority of the European system ought to show itself.



THIS GORGEOUS CREATURE IS A KAVASS.

And, so far as material splendor goes, it does. The British minister, Sir Philip Currie, occupies, rent free, an enormous building in the form of a hollow square standing in the middle of spacious grounds. The property must be worth $500,000 or so. In the hot season a smaller building at Therapia on the Bosphorus is occupied by the embassy, just as in the United States a summer legation is established in New York. The minister maintains his magnificence on a salary, with table allowance, of some £10,000 a year.

The German embassy occupies a building still larger, but farther from the heart of Pera, on the road leading to Dolmabagtche palace—a great, dreary barn of a place, built with a part of the millions wrung from France after the war of 1870.

The French palace is another hollow square, with jutting wings at the four corners, giving a pleasant architectural effect. It is in the heart of the town, but has a large garden about it. The Russian embassy is near by, quite as large and beautifully placed. The Austrian embassy is a trifle smaller, but it is a most interesting building historically, dating back to the time of the Genoese rule of the city. Even the smaller powers have handsome buildings for their ambassadors, and all of them maintain summer palaces in or near Therapia besides.

In these surroundings of magnificence the foreign diplomats do their work. After a little observation of that work a plain Yankee is led to wonder how important the merely social part of it may be. Systems have a right to be judged by the results they produce, and expensive foreign diplomacy has made a pretty muddle of it at the sublime port within the past few years, and economical American methods do not suffer by the comparison.

Dr. Angell is not an offensively wealthy man, and it is fair to presume that he will live in Pera as quietly and in as good democratic fashion as Minister Terrell did. If during his term of office one happened to walk the main street of a Sunday or a holiday, he would see a big American flag flung from the second story of an ordinary building. On this floor the United States minister lived alone and quite simply. Until Mrs. and Miss Terrell left town before the Armenian massacres the family occupied a suite of rooms in a hotel.

Farther down the street another American flag flies on holidays; and on every day of the year the coat of arms of the United States is displayed over a door. On the second floor is a suite of, I think, four rooms and a waiting-room, furnished quite simply, after the manner of an American law office such as Mr. Terrell may have had in Texas or Dr. Angell have visited in Michigan.

At the door are two or three attendants gorgeous in oriental gayety of attire. One who is certain to be there is Demetri, the Croatian doortender. Demetri is not the only Croat in Constantinoule. His race bears a reputation for extreme faithfulness, and for courage and pugnacity. Accordingly, not only the foreign ministers, but many private citizens in Stamboul, employ Croats as bouncers, and their beauty is a joy forever. Demetri's coat of many colors is comparatively modest, befitting republican simplicity.

Mahmoud and Ahmet are even more gorgeous than Demetri, for besides their beautiful clothing, they have big pistols and knives stuck in their belts. Mahmoud and Ahmet are Turkish soldiers, detailed to act as kavasses, or guards. Turkey appoints them, Uncle Sam pays them. When the janissaries ruled the roost it was the custom for each foreign minister to be accompanied by a janissary, who kept the others from killing him. The janissaries fortunately are no more, but the kavasses still guard the persons of the envoys, not so much from danger as from annoyance.

It was Mahmoud who distinguished himself during the massacres last year. A carriage stood at the door of the legation waiting for the wife of Consul-General Short, who herself told me the story, and for a missionary lady who was sharing with her the protection of the flag. A Turkish officer jumped into the carriage and ordered the driver to start, but Mahmoud drew his big pistol and drove the officer out of the hack in short order, afterward accompanying the ladies safely past six or seven murders to their launch.

In the inner rooms sit the less ornamental members of the staff. These were at the time of my visit a first secretary, John W. Riddle, of Minnesota; a second clerk, a young Texan, Henry Roberts; a dragoman, Alexander A. Garguilo, born in Turkey, master of seven languages, who also acts as interpreter, and has had a diplomatic experience of 20 years; and a clerk, Leopold Lemme.

This is a small working force to transact a volume of business which in the other embassies is attended to by a swarm of attaches and clerks. And the hardest working man of the lot was the erect, soldierly looking gentleman, whose hair and mustache are slightly tinged with gray, but who does not look the 55 of 60 years, which must be his, who sat in the main office—Minister A. W. Terrell himself. Circumstances have combined within the past three years to make this man one of the three most important representatives abroad of the United States.

The method of conducting diplomatic business is simple enough. All ordinary business is transacted with Tewfik Pasha, minister of foreign affairs, at the porte, over on the Stamboul side. The pasha is addressed as "Your excellency," speaks French well and puts on no frills. Upon entering the country or when about to leave it, the minister calls upon the sultan himself. Or an interview may be arranged at any time by request from either. The sultan is addressed by the Turkish equivalent of "Your majesty." He has his dragoman with him, the American minister has his. The theory is that each dragoman interprets when his side is at bat, so to speak; but as Abdul Hamid's dragoman knows no English, it amounts to Mr. Gargulllo translating for both. In this fashion are conveyed all messages to the Hamidian government.

It would be affectation to ignore the fact that Dr. Angell will have more difficulties to encounter in his mission than he would find in London or Paris. Many of them will come from his fellow clergymen, some of whom have been rather severe critics of his predecessor.

There is no American colony in trade in Turkey. The only Americans here are the missionaries, 170 in number, besides wives and children, scattered all through the interior of Asia Minor. The Turks hate the missionaries like poison and hold them responsible for the Armenian rebellion. That not an American man, woman, child or dog was killed in the riots was due to Mr. Terrell's shrewdness. Skilled to read the rough book of human nature, he foresaw the massacres. In August, 1895, he predicted that the so-called reforms would be followed by a slaughter of the Armenians and by great danger to American missionaries. The fact that he demanded, in advance of the massacre, Turkish police protection for every American mission station in Turkey saved no one knows how many lives. And it is gratefully appreciated by the hard-working missionaries of the interior; by the few missionaries of other nationalities, too, for in consequence of Minister Terrell's demands protection was ordered for all missionary stations, even those whose ministers had not asked it.

Here's a sample of the horse sense methods of our diplomacy: An Armenian, trembling with fear, reached Mr. Terrell's office one day and drew from his matted hair a quill. It contained a note from Miss Coffing, an American in Hadjin, saying that the local pasha was going to burn the town and sow its site to barley. Mr. Terrell advised the porte of the contemplated agricultural enterprise, and added: "If any American in that town is injured I shall demand and I shall have the head of that pasha. Result: The pasha was recalled, a better one appointed and the entire town escaped the massacre. Letters attesting Miss Coffing's gratitude are on file in the state department.

Clergymen know more of some other things than of artillery. When the riots came in Constantinople they wanted, as Mr. Terrell puts it, the Minneapolis to rush the death trap of the Dardanelles.

Now, the Dardanelles, for all that they look so meek, mount 127 guns, of which 97 are armor-piercing Krupps. Moreover, the United States has no recognized treaty right to even a dispatch boat.

Before the first massacre in Asia Minor Mr. Terrell suggested to a Constantinople missionary the propriety of getting at least the women and children out of the country before the storm broke. The suggestion was received with ridicule, and Mr. Terrell was accused of trying to stop mission work.

"I reckon I did curse a trifle then," says Judge Terrell, referring to the incident. "I said I'd be d—d if I'd sacrifice one blue-eyed American baby for all the mission work in Asia Minor."

Mr. Terrell can use Texas talk on occasion, a comfort his successor is likely to miss. He once advised the state department that a proposed inquiry in Asia Minor was like suing the devil and holding the court in hell.

As to the blue-eyed babies, apprehension was not idle. The time came when the wife of Prof. Smith, of Marsovan, looking out of a window at the butcheries, said: "Husband, isn't it about time for us to kill the children to keep them from falling into the hands of the Turks?"

It is unfortunate that any friction should have occurred between the missionaries and the minister. And, yet the divergence was inevitable. The missionaries are right in holding that the condition of the Armenians is frightful and should be remedied. Mr. Terrell was right in refusing to plunge his nation into a war in a visionary attempt to remedy it. For nothing more visionary than the idea of a new crusade by an Anglo-American alliance against Islamism, which some good people cherished, was ever hatched. It was a fine and generous project, but with a concert of Europe pledged to uphold the sultan it was and it is rather unfavorable weather for crusading.

Dr. Angell will be lucky if he escapes hot criticism. Armenian massacres made trouble last year. The Greek and Cretan questions are quite as full of difficulties, which no skill can quite avoid or master. But at least we can be confident that the new man will do his work quite as well without as with a palace and a retinue of gorgeous attaches. He will lose nothing by the fact that he and Abdul Hamid himself are the only statesmen in Stamboul who wear plain coats.

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ROYAL ALIASES.

Names Under Which the Queen and Others Go Abroad.

President Faure's recent interview with Queen Victoria at a French railroad station was a breach of the strict etiquette of royal incognitos, as the queen in her travels is the countess of Balmoral, and can be recognized officially only by that title. A similar break with tradition was made last year by King Leopold II. of Belgium, while in Paris, in acknowledging the cheers of the crowd for the king of the Belgians and accepting dinner invitations, inasmuch as he had gone to Paris as the count of Ravenstein and returned to Brussels under the same name. The prince of Wales has never been in Paris; it is the earl of Chester who is the hero of all the naughty adventures ascribed to Albert Edward. The aliases assumed by royalty when seeing life in the French metropolis were divulged recently.

Empress Frederick, though to the government only Countess Lingen, was recognized by the German and British embassies when in Paris in 1891. The empress of Austria calls herself the countess of Hohenembs; Empress Eugenie, Comtesse de Pierrepons, the medieval stronghold which she has restored. If you meet Countess Toledo in your travels you will know that she is Isabella II., once queen of Spain; the duchess of Castro is ex-Queen Sophie of the two Sicilies; the count of Barcellos is King Carlos of Portugal and his wife, Queen Amelie, is Marquesa de Villacosa; Prince Victor Bonaparte calls himself count of Moncaliere; Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, Count Murany; the Swedish crown prince, Count Carlsborg; ex-King Milan of Servia and his son hardly try any disguise.

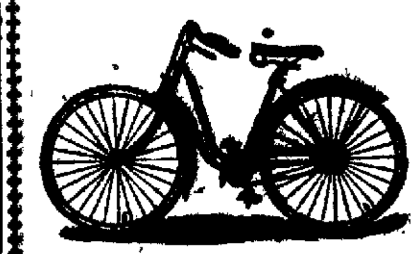
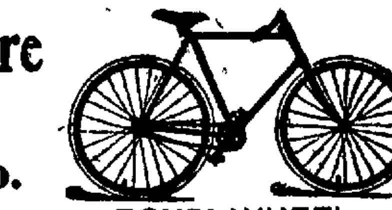
One of the first monarchs to use an assumed name on his travels was Emperor Joseph II., who appeared in Paris in 1777 as Count Falkenstein; Paul I. of Russia, while crown prince, visited the city under the style of Comte du Nord. Louis XVIII. in exile called himself Comte de Lille; Charles X., after he was driven out, Comte de Mores and Louis Philippe Comte de Neuilly. The duc de Bordeaux, "Henry V.," lived all his life under the name of Comte de Chambord. Joseph Bonaparte took the name of count of Survilliers when in America; Hortense Beaunarnais, when no longer queen of Holland, called herself Duchesse de Saint Leu.

In spite of their assumed names, persons who come in contact with these royal travelers are expected to treat them as though the incognito did not exist. In Switzerland alone has the disguise been taken seriously. The late King William III. of Holland was once treated like a private person at Geneva and came near being taken to the police station. One summer evening he undertook to promenade on a hotel piazza without any clothes on and the subsequent legal proceedings were stopped on his promising that he would leave Geneva at once. He never returned to the city.—Paris Figaro.

THE KINGBIRD.

Another and Better Name for the Swift Bee Martin.

In an elm just to the right of the crossing of the creek at the bend where the street from town leads down was the nest of a kingbird—and there's a bird worth while! He is widely known as the "bee martin," but kingbird is his name, and he deserves it. He is a king, every inch of him. His flight is like lightning, and his courage is beyond all precedent. So like a flash are his movements that he will sit swaying upon the topmost limb of some shrub, and dash off and catch an insect flying at right angles from him, returning to his perch with the same dash and as placidly as if he had done nothing out of the common. It is the bravery of the little fellow, though, that entitles him to the greatest respect. He is the defender of the other birds. Let a hawk hover over the thicket creating a panic among the little feathered people and note what the kingbird does. He doesn't hide as the others do. Not he! He flashes out, often accompanied by his mate, and mounts upward looking for the enemy. They find him away up in midair, and then ensues a preposterous combat. No hawk can catch one of those feathered electric sparks, and the kingbirds cannot kill or even disable the hawk. They flash about him, they peck at the top of his head; they alight between his wings and tug at the feathers. Their keen bills pierce every exposed spot. The bird-hunting monster seeks in vain to seize upon those little pieces of "greased lightning," and finally in despair abandons all thought of a meal in the locality they thus protect. That's your kingbird! He is not, perhaps, so gaudily appareled as such a superior bird should be. He is not as large as a robin, but more rakish of build, and is of a dark stone color upon the back, while the head and tail are almost black. There is a white band across the tail, very close to the end, and the under part of the bird is almost pure white. Oddly enough, the under side of the feathers on top of the head are red, and when the bird is fighting and raises these feathers in anger, he has a scarlet crest. It may be added of this courageous bird that, while he may consume an occasional bee, he is a great destroyer of noxious insects, and a great help to the farmer.—Stanley Waterloo, in Peola (Ill.) Republican.

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Passenger—Good idea. I'll hand something to the engineer.—N. Y. Weekly.

Advancement.

"It's wonderful," said the man who is always earnest, "to see how they can develop the intellects of the lower animals. There is no telling how much we may be able to benefit them by systematic education."

"What suggested that idea?"

"A chimpanzee that I saw. He was once in a perfectly wild condition. Now they have by patient training taught him to chew tobacco, smoke a pipe, play cards and drink whisky."—Washington Star.

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"Yesterday," said Jabson, "I refused a poor woman a small sum of money, and in consequence of my act I passed a sleepless night. The tones of her voice were ringing in my ears the whole time."

"Your softness of heart does you credit," said Mabson; "who was the woman?"

"My wife."—Detroit Free Press.

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Your Boy Won't Live a Month.

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DEATH MYTHS.

Some of the Ghostly Terrors in Store for the Soul.

Among the myths of the most barbarous races we find definite ideas as to the destination of the soul after death and of the perils which surround it before it can reach that happy land, the abode of deceased ancestors, who have attained to it by the same perilous road. At the meeting of the British association at Oxford (1894), Prof. Tylor brought forward four of these after-death perils in a very interesting paper, entitled, "The Diffusion of Mythical Beliefs as Evidence in the History of Culture," in which he showed the existence of a belief in these same perils in countries as widely separated as Japan, Mexico, Persia and Europe and threw upon a screen representations almost identical from Mexican, Japanese, Buddhist and old German pictures, drawing from the similarity of the scenes depicted the inference that there must have been some sort of intercourse between these countries in the remote past. The four scenes brought forward represented: (1) The crossing of a stream by a dangerous bridge; (2) the passage of the soul between two mountains which clash together; (3) the climbing up a mountain set with sharp knives; (4) the dangers from a wind carrying knives with it.

Three of these ghostly terrors may be found in the myths of many other countries besides those named by Prof. Tylor, the two first being the most widely distributed. The perilous crossing of a river after death was a belief among Egyptians, Greeks and Romans, but they provided a boat and a ferryman for the convenience of the souls, who were required to pay for the accommodation with an obolus placed in the mouth by pious relatives. This fee is not unknown in less classical countries, being found, I believe, in Peru and Japan, India and Fiji, while the boat is often replaced by a much more dangerous mode of transit, this being usually a hair bridge or one so sharp as to resemble the blade of a knife. The perilous bridge of the dead is found in the legends of the Esquimau, among the Shamans of Siberia and in Australia, in each case accompanied by the second of Dr. Tylor's dangers, the clashing rocks under somewhat varying forms, but always, as I think, making a link with the medieval representations of "The Jaws of Death." Among the Esquimaux, the angakos, or sorcerer, who would visit Sedna, the goddess who lives underground or in the depths of the ocean, presiding over one of the countries to which souls go after death, must first pass the arsissut (the dwellings of the happy dead) and then cross an abyss in which a wheel as slippery as ice is constantly turning round. Arriving at the house of Sedna, he finds it guarded by terrible animals, sometimes described as seals and sometimes as dogs; and when within the house passage he has to cross an abyss by means of a bridge as narrow as a knife edge.—Antiquary.

X RAYS AND BLINDNESS.

No Good Evidence Found That One Will Help the Other.

Quite a sensation was produced several months ago by an announcement that Mr. Edison had helped the blind to see with the aid of the X rays. It was intimated that the optic nerve would respond to this stimulus when it would not do so to ordinary light. It proved, however, that the great electrician was misrepresented. He had undertaken some experiments in this direction, and a few trifling circumstances gave him encouragement for a time. But he eventually found it impossible to produce any effect where the blindness was due to atrophy, or loss of feeling, of the optic nerve. Various physicians also made tests of a similar character. In one instance, where the cause was cataract and the optic nerve was all right, the X rays assisted the oculist in ascertaining what the matter was. The usual operation for cataract then restored the patient's sight. But almost without exception all investigators reached the same conclusions as did Mr. Edison.

One very sanguine experimenter, Dr. Louis Bell, however, declared that when the current was turned on and off from a Crookes tube the resultant flickering could be perceived by a man with whom he had made tests, and who was blind from paralysis of the optic nerve. The matter has since been followed up by two Texas scientists, Dr. Hilgartner, oculist to the state institution for the blind, and Prof. Northrup, an expert in electrical matters. These men procured powerful apparatus and then got hold of 11 blind people, seven of whom had absolutely no power of discerning light; four others could very faintly perceive light. But not one of them could get the slightest impression by looking either at an excited Crookes tube or at a fluoroscope. This lack of substantiation will probably lead unprejudiced scientists to the conclusion that Dr. Bell was deceived somehow, and that no help is to be derived from this source.—N. Y. Tribune.

Greece and Turkey at War.

On the 17th of April, without any formal declaration of war, the Turkish government severed diplomatic relations with Greece, and ordered its armies to take the offensive. The Turkish force commanded by Edhem Pasha moved southward from its position at Elassona, and after sharp fighting occupied the Milouna pass, which commands the road leading to the Greek headquarters at Larissa, in the northeastern part of Greece. At about the same time the Greeks crossed the northwestern frontier into Epirus, with the cooperation of their fleet on the west coast.—Youth's Companion.

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Mr. G. A. Stillson, a merchant of Tampico, Ill., writes August 10th, 1891: "Foley's Kidney Cure is meeting with wonderful success. It has cured some cases here that physicians pronounced incurable. I myself am able to testify to its merits. My face to-day is a living picture of health, and Foley's Kidney Cure has made it such. I had suffered twenty-seven years with the disease, and to-day I feel ten years younger than I did one year ago. I can obtain some wonderful certificates of its medical qualities." H. W Bell, N. L. Krone.

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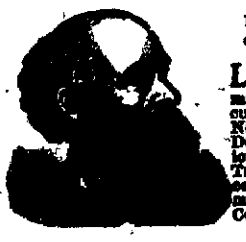
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Dates, per lb	5c	4-X Coffee, 2 packages for	25c
3-lb. can Tomatoes, per can	7c	Imperial Tea, per lb	20c
Sugar Corn, per can	5c	Tea Dust, per lb	10c
Early June Peas, per can	5c	Large Grain Japan Rice, per lb	6½c
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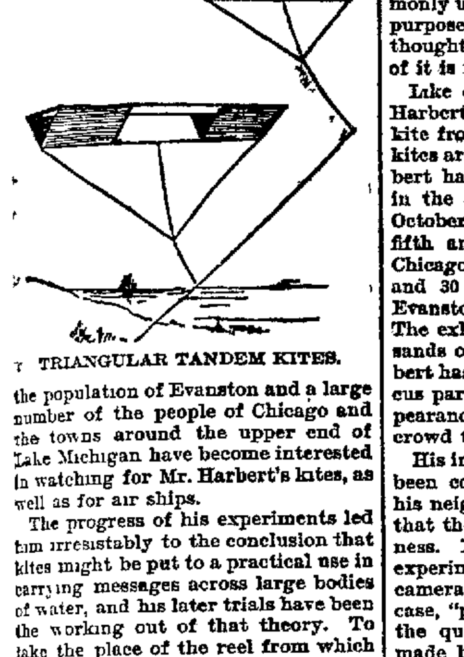
Scientific Men Everywhere Are Interested in Them.

Kite Sailing on the Water Made Possible by the Invention of an Illinois Man—Some Recent Experiments.

[Special Chicago Letter.]

Scientific kite flying owes much to the experiments of Arthur B. Harbert, of Evanston, a suburb of Chicago. A little over a year ago Mr. Harbert's attention was attracted to the subject of kite flying by an article in a magazine. His interest in the subject led him to begin a series of experiments, in which he has evolved a new form of a kite, and has entered upon the new and interesting field of kite sailing on the water.

It is in this latter connection that he has come most prominently before the public within a few weeks. All of the population of Evanston and a large number of the people of Chicago and the towns around the upper end of Lake Michigan have become interested in watching for Mr. Harbert's kites, as well as for air ships.



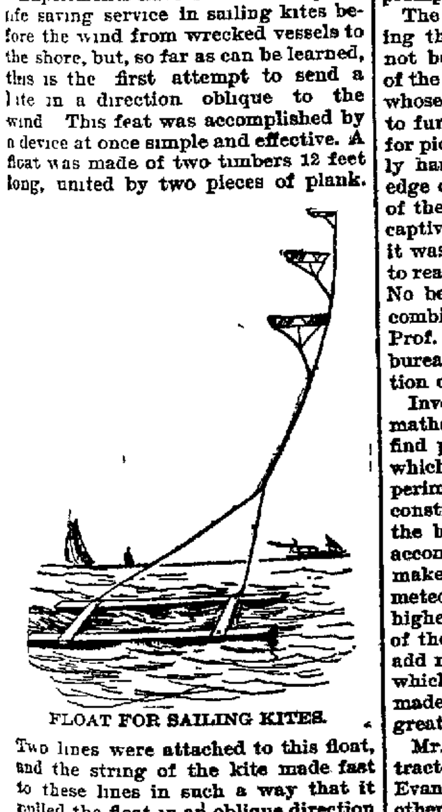
TRIANGULAR TANDEM KITES.

The progress of his experiments led him irresistably to the conclusion that kites might be put to a practical use in carrying messages across large bodies of water, and his later trials have been the working out of that theory. To take the place of the reel from which the line was paid out on land, and by which the kite was steadied he designed a float, or drag, for the water, which would at once carry the end of the line and steer the kite. He watched for several weeks for a west wind to carry his kites across Lake Michigan, but it refused to come. Weary of waiting, he at length started two sets of kites from Evanston Monday, April 26. Attached to each set was the following request to the finder at the end of their journeys

To the Finder—Will you please fill out the blanks on the inclosed postal card, stating when and where you found this, and post it at your earliest convenience. The return of this kite is not expected
ARHTUR B. HARBERT.
SAMUEL MERWYN.

Mr. Merwyn is a young man who has been associated with Mr. Harbert in his experiments. The kites were set adrift from Evanston about ten o'clock in the forenoon. A strong wind was blowing from the northeast. It would not be supposed that the circumstances were favorable to sending a kite away from the shore, but by an arrangement of the float which will be explained later, this was accomplished. The two sets of kites sailed away toward the south with their drags in tow. Later in the day, one of them was found on a point of the lake shore near the suburb of Buena park. The other went toward South Chicago.

Experiments have been made by the life saving service in sailing kites before the wind from wrecked vessels to the shore, but, so far as can be learned, this is the first attempt to send a kite in a direction oblique to the wind. This feat was accomplished by a device at once simple and effective. A float was made of two timbers 12 feet long, united by two pieces of plank.



FLOAT FOR SAILING KITES.

Two lines were attached to this float, and the string of the kite made fast to these lines in such a way that it pulled the float in an oblique direction to the string. It is the same principle on which a canal boat is kept away from the bank of the canal by attaching the tow line back of the middle. A glance at the diagram will explain it. A board nailed to one of the timbers acted as a lee board and kept the float in the proper direction. In this manner the kite was kept in a direction oblique to the wind and driven forward like a sail boat at an angle to the lake shore.

The kites were perhaps 1,000 feet above the floats. Mr. Harbert's kites themselves bear little resemblance to a boy's kite, except in flying in the air. In the evolution of the scientific kite, the tail long ago disappeared, never to return. It is made in various hollow or, in technical terms, "cellular" forms. Mr. Harbert's kites are triangular prisms of sticks and cloth, about 12 feet in length. About two-thirds of the frame is covered with the cloth, leaving a vacant space in the middle. He has found this to be the best form for a light wind, although square "box" kites are said to be superior for high winds. Pine or whitewood is used for the frames and white or colored cotton cloth for the covering. The sides are four to five feet wide. Silk is considered the best covering, but it is an expensive material as 15 or 16 yards are necessary for a single kite. After the frame has been made, the covering is sewed in place, as tacks are likely to split the light sticks. Pine sticks a quarter of an inch in thickens by an inch in width, or whitewood sticks half an inch square are the best size.

A kite 12 feet long is quite another thing for a boy's plaything, and the man who should attempt to hold it would soon tire of his fun. Mr. Harbert uses a reel, set on a pivot, to allow for the changes of the wind by which his monster kites are controlled. The string is another important question. An ordinary cord is not to be considered when the thing in the air is pulling like a team of oxen. Heavy iron wire, or light telegraph wire is commonly used. Piano wire is ideal for the purpose, but is too expensive to be thought of when half a mile or more of it is required.

Like other up-to-date kiteflyers, Mr. Harbert does not stop with flying one kite from a string. Two, or "tandem," kites are common enough, and Mr. Harbert has had as many as eight kites in the air from one string at a time October 9, 1896, during the twenty-fifth anniversary of the burning of Chicago, Mr. Harbert kept a large flag and 30 feet of bunting flying over Evanston from a string of his kites. The exhibition was witnessed by thousands of spectators. In fact, Mr. Harbert has all the drawing power of a circus parade in Evanston, where his appearance with a kite is the signal for a crowd to gather.

His investigations, however, have not been conducted for the amusement of his neighbors, but from the conviction that the kite has a wide field of usefulness. In common with others, he has experimented in photographing with a camera suspended from a kite. In this case, "pushing the button" was out of the question, and the exposure was made by pulling a string attached to the shutter of the camera. No satisfactory results in photographing from kites have been secured, but the art is in its infancy. It is easy to see how photography might prove of the highest value in warfare, if it can be employed at high altitudes. Once it is possible to take a photograph from a kite, and



HARGREAVES' BOX KITE.

the general of an army may send a camera over his enemy's camp to get a plan of his fortifications. If dynamite bombs can be dropped with their aid into the midst of a hostile army, the invasion of a country may be prevented. For signaling between armies or at sea, it will be seen that kites may be employed to great advantage. If signals of distress can be displayed from a great height at sea, the passengers and crew of many a disabled ship may be promptly rescued from their danger.

The possibilities of kites in exploring the upper regions of the air have not been overlooked by the scientists of the weather bureau. The gentlemen whose good nature is depended upon to furnish the right brand of weather for picnics and parades have been greatly hampered by their lack of knowledge of conditions in the higher strata of the atmosphere. Experiments with captive balloons have been made, but it was found that balloons were unable to reach high altitudes in a strong wind. No better results were secured with a combination of a balloon with kites. Prof. C. F. Marvin, of the weather bureau, has undertaken an investigation of kites and their construction.

Investigators who care to go into the mathematical and scientific details will find plenty of material in his report, which was issued in July, 1896. His experiments have been principally in the construction of kites which will give the best results. When this has been accomplished the weather bureau will make use of these kites in sending up meteorological instruments to the higher levels of the air. A knowledge of the conditions at high altitudes will add much to the information from which the forecasts of the bureau are made, and are expected to prove of great value in its work.

Mr. Harbert's experiments have attracted great attention, not only in Evanston and Chicago, but in many other cities. He has received many letters on the subject, one of which was from a Chicago fireworks company, who wanted a set of his kites in giving an exhibition of fireworks in Dallas, Tex. For the time he has been at work he has accomplished wonders. The beginning of his experiments was made at Lake Geneva, Wis., and there he expects to carry them on during his coming summer vacation. His next experiment will be with a kite modeled after the bony framework of a bat. In the short time he has been at work Mr. Harbert has taken rank as one of the leading kite experts of the country.

A. S. CHAPMAN.

PITH AND POINT.

—"One gets a certain finish abroad, I fancy." "Yes, one goes over there and they tell her she can't sing, and that's the end of her."—Detroit Journal.

—"Bobby asked me what a continuous performance was." "What did you tell him?" "I said that the tariff discussion was as near as I could come to it."—Chicago Record.

—Lea (sadly)—"I don't know what to do with that boy of mine. He's been two years at the medical college, and still keeps at the foot of his class." Perrins (promptly)—"Make a chiropodist of him."—Tit-Bits.

—A Puzzling Question.—Frances (four years old)—"Mamma?" Mamma—"What is it, dear?" "You never saw me before I was born, did you?" "No, love." "Then how did you know it was me?"—Harlem Life

—England's Younger Sons.—English Lord (to younger son)—"It's time, Clarence, that you were thinking about a career." Dutiful Son—"I will be guided by you, father. Shall I take orders, study for the bar, enter the army, or marry an American?"—N. Y. Weekly.

—A tract distributor, the other day, in a new settlement out west, popped his head into an Irishman's cabin, and asked him "if he would accept a tract on the Holy Land?" "Yes, bedad," cried Pat, "I'll take a houl section, if ye'll pay my passage right through."—Household Words.

—"Father," said the bright little girl, "what is loaf sugar?" "There are several kinds, my dear," replied Senator Sorghum. "The most important variety is that which enables a man by a little superior knowledge and prompt action to place himself beyond the necessity of working any more."—Washington Star.

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It Should Be of Interest to Every Thinking Woman.

Women who reason well know that no male physician can understandingly treat the complaint known as "female diseases," for no man ever experienced them.

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Attachment Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY, }
In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Macon Canning Co. vs. S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter—Attachment No. 16,282.

Public notice is hereby given that it appears by an affidavit filed in said cause that the defendants S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter are not residents of this state, and they are hereby notified that the Macon Canning Co. above named has commenced suit in attachment against the said defendants for the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) and that the same is now pending before the Circuit Court of Macon county.

Now, unless the said defendants, S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter, shall appear, give bail and plead within the time limited for their appearance in said cause, to-wit: Within ten days after the last publication of this notice being on the 28th day of June, 1897, judgment will be entered, and the estate of said defendants attached, will be sold and that the estate attached is twenty (20) shares of the stock of the Macon Canning company and the east half (½) of the northwest quarter (¼) and three and thirty-nine hundredths (3 39-100) acres off of the west side of the northeast quarter (¼) of Section five (5), Town fourteen (14) North, Range Three (3) East of the Third Principal Meridian, situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated this 27th day of May, A. D. 1897.
D. L. FOSTER, Circuit Clerk.
May 27-d3w

Executor's Notice for Final Settlement.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY, }

Estate of Paul Smith, Deceased.

To Sarah E. Smith, Levi Smith and his heirs at law, Mary Davis, Alice Davis, Ida Smith, Laura Mohr, Minnie Neff, Eva Smith, Samuel C. Smith, Frank W. Smith, Loyd Smith, Israel Smith, Samuel B. Smith, Katharine Bates, Moses Smith, William A. Smith, Joseph C. Smith, John Smith, Edward H. Smith, Harry McKinnies, Anna Wallace, Legatees of said estate:

You are hereby notified that on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1897, the executor of the last Will and Testament of said deceased, will present to the county court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, his final report of his acts and doings as such executor, and ask the court to be discharged from any and all further duties and responsibilities connected with said estate and his administration thereof, at which time and place you may be present and resist such application, if you choose so to do.

June 4-d3w D. L. BUNN, Executor.

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Stella C. Kidder, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Stella C. Kidder, late of the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 1st day of June, 1897.
CARRIE E. KNAPP,
Administratrix.
June 3-d3w

Sunday Train Service.

On Sunday, May 30th, the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will resume the Sunday trains. Train No. 40 going north will pass Decatur at 8:30 p. m. Train No. 41 going south will pass at 11:30 a. m.

Took It Back.

Tom Singleton—I hear you're engaged. Congratulate you, my boy.

Benny Dietus—You didn't hear it quite right. I'm married.

Tom Singleton—Oh, excuse me, old man.—Pick Me Up.

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Wall work of all kinds and sizes from two inches to three feet. 729 E. Water or 1028 E. Prairie street.

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance.

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

BIDS WANTED—I will receive bids up to noon on July 1, 1897, for the boiler in the annex to the county jail. Bids must be sealed and made on the boiler as it is now placed in the annex. Address W. H. SPENCE, Chairman of County Board Committee on Public Buildings, Riverside Place, Decatur, Ill. June 14-d6*

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 26 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Desirable property on West Decatur street in best residence portion of the city, lot 60 feet front, good 8-room house, with attic, pantry and closets, house piped for gas, electric wired and heated with furnace, city water in yard, good well and cistern, pump in house, sewer connection.

ALSO—Two houses of four and five rooms each, on North Union street; 43 feet corner lot, cisterns and well.

ALSO—One of the best lots in Riverside addition.

Will sell any or all of above at less than actual value. Apply to J. W. BAKER, 620 West Decatur street. June 9-d6*

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1766 North Clinton street; new 'phone 165.—27-tf

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—On July 1st, the elegant modern house at corner of North Edward and Marietta streets. Gas, furnace, city water, stable, etc.

ALSO, a six-room house on North College street. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 South Main street. 15-d2w

FOR RENT—Unfurnished rooms at 543 North Main street. Inquire on premises. June 14 d6*

FOR RENT—House No. 736 North Main street. Enquire of W. E. HUBBARD, No. 761 North Main street, Decatur. 9-d6

TO RENT—Cheap, one four-room and one six-room house; Solano Place, West Green st. CLARK & SCHROLL, Room 22 Arcade. April 17-dtf

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STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-d6t

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURED.—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering for some time I was induced by a friend to take Cerealgie Capsules without cessation. To my surprise they cured me in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur, Ill. April 28-d6t

Administrator's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY, }
In the County Court, August Term, 1896.

In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased. DeWitt C. Corley, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased vs. Mary S. Kirk, O. T. Kirk, Celestia A. Christian, John Christian, Fred Norman, Henry Shlaudeman, John G. Keller, county superintendent of schools of Macon county, Illinois, Ann M. Cummings, Hiram Johnson, James Millikin, Orville B. Gorin, surviving partners of the firm of J. Millikin & Co., E. J. Roberts, W. L. Johnson, William J. Pegram, William Conel, and James E. Osborne.—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree in the above entitled cause entered at the August term thereof A. D. 1896, and modified as to terms of sale at the May term, 1897, the undersigned administrator will on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1897 at the hour of 3 o'clock p. m. of said day at the north door of the Court House in Decatur, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot eighteen in J. K. Warren & Co.'s Sixth addition to the City of Decatur, also lots four, five and six in Martin Forstmeyer's resurvey of block "A" in Martin Forstmeyer's addition to the city of Decatur, also lot thirteen in block fourteen in Railroad addition to the village of Macon; all of said premises being situated in Macon county and state of Illinois.

The terms of said sale will be cash in hand on the day of sale.

Abstracts of title to said premises can be seen at the office of the undersigned at 141 East Main street, Decatur, Ill.

DEWITT C. CORLEY,
Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased.
May 26-d 4 w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit
MACON COUNTY, } Court.

George Nebinger, Complainant, vs. Otto E. Webber et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 15666.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, the 19th day of June, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit. Lots five (5) and six (6) in Block two (2) of Railroad Addition to the City of Maroa, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 21st day of May, 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
W. T. Cussins, Complainant's Solicitor.
May 21-dtd

Administrator's Sale.

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of David Garver, deceased, will on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1897, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, sell at public sale at the north front door of the Court House in the city of Decatur, county of Macon and state of Illinois, the following personal property, goods and chattels belonging to the estate of said deceased: One gold watch, one bed spring, two rocking chairs, one feather bed, two pillows, one sheet, one secretary, one box containing a syringe, etc., one chest No. 2 and contents, one saw, one gasoline oven, one buggy jack, one brown mare.

Terms of sale—All sums of $5 or less shall be paid in cash on day of sale, all sums in excess of $5, cash in hand or a credit of six months at the option of the purchaser, the purchaser to give note with approved security with interest at 7 per cent. per annum from date until paid upon all deferred payments. No property to be removed until the terms of said sale are complied with.

Dated this 27th day of May, A. D. 1897.
May 27-d 4 w JEROME R. GORIN, Administrator

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of John P. Auer, Deceased

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of John P. Auer, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of June, 1897.
JOHN G. AUER, Administrator.
June 8-d3w*

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

Excursion rates to St. Louis and return every Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip. Tickets good going Saturday afternoon and returning Monday morning.

Winter Tourist Rates are now on to points south and southwest.

Settlers' Half Fare rates to points south every 1st and 3d Tuesday of each month.

Take the new Daylight Special for Chicago and St. Louis—Solid Daily train.

City Ticket Office removed from 110 Library Block to 121 East William street, directly across the street. Telephone, New No. 96; Old No. 430. Union Depot Telephone No. 47, New.

Homeseekers' Excursions.

At the low rate of One Fare for the Round Trip, plus $2.00, to certain points South from stations on Illinois Central west of Iowa Falls, Iowa, inclusive, on Mondays, May 31st and June 14th. East of Iowa Falls and north of Cairo, Ill., one day later, viz.: Tuesdays, June 1st and 15th.

For a copy of the Southern Homeseekers' Guide, describing the agricultural advantages of the country traversed by the Illinois Central and the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroads, address, at Manchester, Iowa, J. F. Merry, Assistant General Passenger Agent. For information in regard to Railroad Lands in Southern Illinois and in the famous Yazoo Valley of the Mississippi, address at Chicago, E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner, I. C. R. R.

Tickets and full information concerning all of the above can be had of agents of the Illinois Central and connecting lines.

A. H. HANSON, Gen'l Pass'r Agent, Chicago.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Clarissa Devore, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Clarissa Devore, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 12th day of June, 1897.
ALBERT H. COPE, Administrator.
June 14-d3w

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of H. Clay Depew, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of H. Clay Depew, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 3d day of June, 1897.
NETTIE M. DEPEW, Administratrix.
June 3-d3w

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Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to May 22, 1897.]

Wabash Line.

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	13	* 3:30 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:30 a m
16	† 6 45 a m	17	† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
5	* 3.40 a m	6	*6:25 a m
11	* 6:55 a m	4	†11:25 a m
3	† 4:05 p m	14	*11:40 a m
15	* 4:07 p m	16	† 6:08 p m
1	*12:32 a m	8	*11:17 p m
7	* 7.30 p m	12	*12:05 a m
		36 Sun. only	10.00 p m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* 5:30 a m	1	*12 30 p m
4	†11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	* 3:20 p m
10 Laf acm.	†4:11 p m	3	* 3:30 a m
18 Dan. "	†8:45 a m	11	†10:07 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:07 p m	4	*11:30 a m
3	* 5:40 a m	2	*10:40 p m
17 Spfd only†	7:40 p m	16 from Spfg. †	8:42 a m
11 Spfd acm†	10:11 a m	10 Effg. acm. †	4:07 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Vandalia Line.

In effect May 16, 1897.
Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.
FOR THE WEST.
No. 7, Ex., Sun. 10:50 a. m. .... For Peoria
No. 21, Ex. Sun. 7:00 a. m. .... For Peoria
FOR THE EAST.
No. 2, Ex., Sun., 1.35 p. m. ...... For Terre Haute
No. 12, Ex. Sun. 7:40 a. m. ...... For Terre Haute

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Special, daily .... 1:12 a m	Diamond Special, daily .... 3:00 a m
No. 104, daily 11:25 a m	No. 133 pass. ex.
No. 3[illegible] freight ex. Sunday .... 2:00 p m	Sunday .... 5:50 a m
No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday .... 5:11 p m	No. 105 freight ex. Sunday .... 10:10 a m
No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves, ex. Sunday .... 2:25 p m	No. 123, daily, 2:30 p m
No. 704—to Chicago, via Champa'n daily 7:10 a m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday .... 10:19 a m
No. 120 daily to Chicago .... 11:58 a m	No. 703—From Chicago daily 7:55 p m
	No. 1.9 daily, to St. Louis .... 2:30 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1 .... 10.42 a. m.	A No. 2 .... 2:41 p. m.
D No. 3 .... 10:10 p. m.	A No. 4 .... 6:15 a. m.
A No. 11 .... 2:30 p. m.	S No. 38 .... 7:10 a. m.
S No. 41 .... 11 10 a. m.	S No. 40 .... 5:19 p. m.
Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2 .... 2:47 p. m.	A No. 1 .... 10:50 a. m.
A No. 4 .... 6:25 a. m.	D No. 3 .... 10:20 p. m.
S No. 38 .... 7.30 a. m.	A No 11 .... 3:15 p. m.
S No. 40 .... 5.30 p. m.	S No. 41 .... 11:30 a. m.
A No. 10 .... 10 42 a. m.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass .... 2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass .... 10:00 a m
No. 3 Pass .... *4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass .... †11:25 a m
" 7 .... 10.00 a m	" 8 .... 4:00 p m
" 9 .... ‡ 8.00 p m	" 10 .... 4:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday. ‡Sunday only.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Homer, Ill., account Modern Woodmen's picnic. One and one-third fare for the round trip. Sell June 17, good to return till June 18.

San Francisco and return, account National Convention Y. P. S. C. E. Tickets will be sold one way at the rate of $35 from Chicago, $36 from Decatur. Stop over permitted in Colorado and west thereof. Returning tickets same price via direct lines: $6 00 extra via Portland and steamer, or $7.50 via Portland and rail. Dates of sale west bound June 29th and 30th, July 1st, 2d and 3d, good to reach San Francisco by July 8th. East bound July 12th to 17th inclusive, July 19th, 22d, 26th, 29th, August 2d, 5th, 9th, final limit returning August 15th.

Celeron, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua,) account meeting of Photographers' Association. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 16th, and not later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., account Young People's Christian Union Universalist church. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 5th and 6th, good returning to July 14th.

Detroit, Mich., account annual convention National Republican League of the United States. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 12th and 13th, good returning till July 18th.

Pittsburg, Pa., account Junior Order United American Mechanics, National Council. One fare round trip. Tickets sold June 12th, 13th and 14th, good returning till June 21st.

National Educational Association, Milwaukee, One fare plus $2.00 round trip. Tickets sold July 2d, 4th and 5th, good to return leaving Milwaukee July 10th, 11th and 12th, or by paying 50 cents and depositing ticket with joint agent an extension till August 31st may be obtained.

Erie, Pa., account meeting Knights of St. John. Tickets sold June 23d and 24th. One fare round trip, good returning to June 28th.

The Wabash has arranged to run tourist cars, St. Louis to San Francisco, account Christian Endeavor meeting, leaving St. Louis at 9 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, June 29th, and Thursday, July 1st. Rate per double berth, $6.00. Parties wishing to take these sleepers will have to leave Decatur on No. 15 at 4 p. m. Berths can be reserved by applying at city office.

Summer tickets now on sale to the mountains and sea shore.

Grand Army of the Republic. Buffalo, N. Y., August 21st to 24th.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

B. Y. P. O. Elks, Minneapolis, July 4 and 5.

Epworth League, Toronto, July 15 to 18.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 31st.

Detroit, Mich., account Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, June 7 to 10.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Harvest Excursion tickets will be sold to all points in the west, south, and southwest on June 15th, at one fare plus $2 for round trip, limited to 21 days.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

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Warsaw, Ind., account Winona Assembly, May 15 to August 31.

Rome City, Ind., account Island Park Assembly, July 15th to 31st.

Bethany Park, Ind., account Bethany Park Assembly, July 24th to August 15th.

Indianapolis, Ind., account Y. P. C. Union. Sell August 17th and 18th; good returning till August 24th.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

German household dyes at Irwin's.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Don't think of missing the Wabash cheap excursion to Chicago June 19 and 20.—8-td

The Wabash will run a $2 Saturday and Sunday excursion to Chicago June 19 and 20.—8-td

The long-looked-for has come. Chicago and return via Wabash June 19 and 20, only $2.—8-td

Irwin's Cascara tablets will cure habitual constipation; 90 doses, 25c.

Engineer Dickerson is busy today making surveys on North Main and other streets for the paving improvements.

The first of the season, Wabash, Saturday and Sunday excursion to Chicago, June 19 and 20.—8-td

To Loan—$200, $300, $500, $600, $1000, $1200, $1500, $4000. Kuny, Johns & Strohm, 124 N. Water st. 10-d6

To Chicago for $2 for Wabash trains of Saturday, June 19, at 8:45 and 11:45 a. m. and 1:05 Sunday morning, 20th.—8-td

Kola-Vena is the most invigorating drink, sold only at Irwin's.

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 145 North Main street.

You can get magic toothache drops at Irwin's drug store.

Be sure and attend the grand gold medal contest at the First Methodist church Friday evening, June 18th. Admission 15 cents; reserved seats, 25 cents; children 10 cents. 15-d3

Excursion to Mackinaw Thursday, June 17. Tickets may be secured at the transfer station. Fare for the round trip 50 cents, children under 15 years, 25 cents. —15-d2t

Sunday and Monday the athletes with the Barnum & Bailey show were among the liberal patrons of the natatorium at Riverside park. They had a great time floundering in the water, jumping off the spring boards and swinging on the ropes. It was a picnic for the circus people.

The ladies of the Dorcas society who are raising a fund to build a monument for deceased Macon county soldiers, realized over $75 by their circus day dinner served in the Haworth block. Those in charge were Mesdmaes Frank Damrow, K. Harwood, Myra Mark, T. J. Abel, Mary Davis, Ann Tincher, A. M. Drew, Siewers, Bloomquist, Borbey, Steinbach, Freemont, Bobb, Coltrin, Williams, Hatch, Shultz, Shirey, Bennett, Bray, McCune, Powell, Whitsel, Stabler, and Misses Maude McCune and Minnie Fremont.

ATHLETIC GROUNDS.

An Important Meeting of the Y. M. C. A. to be Held This Evening to Make Arrangements.

There will be a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. this evening for the purpose of considering the matter of having an association athletic grounds. The managers have been trying to secure the grounds at the corner of West Eldorado and North College streets. The west half of the block can be rented but the association wants to have the whole space on Eldorado street from College to Edward. The idea is to fix the place up and make it a suitable ground for base ball, foot ball and all kinds of athletics. At the meeting this evening the matter will be discussed and all those who are interested in the movement are requested to be present.

Burglars in the Country.

Theives raided the home of Daniel Stroh near Forsyth Monday evening. They got $6 in cash and took away a lot of valuable articles in a sack.

The home of Mr. Hagar, near Emery, was entered Sunday forenoon while the family were absent. The robbers got $50 worth of goods, besides taking Mrs. Hagar's wedding garments and every article of wearing apparel of any value.

The officers have been notified of the robberies. No arrests.

Will Arrange an Excursion.

F. K. Pennington and N. W. Woodford, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., left to-day for Bloomingdale Glens at Marshal, Ind. They will go over the place with the view of running an excursion under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. to that point at some time this month. If they think that place is a good one an excursion will be arranged.

Used Lots of Ice.

The Barnum & Bailey show used lots of ice Sunday and Monday. It was supplied by D. A. Stalli, who had his wagons making regular trips to the grounds. About 30,000 pounds were used.

NO SHOW AT NIGHT.

The Big Rain Put a Stop to the Barnum & Bailey Exhibition—Elephants Terrified.

The show cranks in the city and country who had the opportunity to take in the Barnum & Bailey show at the race track yesterday afternoon were the lucky people. There was no show at night because of the heavy rain which blew up shortly before 7 o'clock. The intense heat of the afternoon, when the temperature was as high as 101 in the shade, gave warning of a blow and a storm and it came at a time when the city people were at their homes ready to start for the city of tents, and wondering whether or not the rain would amount to anything. Even while they were speculating on the extent of the rain, Mr. Bailey, at the grounds, who had been correctly advised by the scientific weather man with the combination, had given orders that there would be no night show, whereupon the men began the work of taking down the tents. The rain was quite heavy at the race track, and the show people realized that if they hoped to reach Springfield today they had better hustle to get the heavy wagons away or they would get stuck in the mud. Down came the tents and away went the animals in the closed cages to the cars at the Wabash tracks.

When the storm was at its height with vivid lightning and heavy thunder claps, the herd of elephants became more or less terrified. They slashed around, uttered the piercing sounds peculiar to them, and there would have been a stampede but for the efforts of the keepers and assistants who finally averted the danger. Ordinarily one or more of the big elephants are used in pushing the heavy wagons through the mud to the graveled or paved streets, but they could not be induced to do a thing last night. The vivid lightning frightened them and consequently all of the elephants and animals were hurried to the cars at the Broadway crossing of the Wabash and loaded. This fact was not generally known in the crowd at the Water street crossing where hundreds waited for hours expecting to see the elephants put on the cars.

There was a large crowd at the tents when the storm came up. They would have gone in had the management gone ahead with the exhibition. Many were surprised to learn that the rain had scared the show people. Never before had a circus been stopped in Decatur by a rain, and it is on record that exhibitions have been given while rain fell for over an hour. But on those occasions the crowds were in the tents. Last night Mr. Bailey did wisely in declaring the show off, not only in the interest in getting away, but also for the good of the people, many of whom, despite the condition of the grounds, would have dragged themselves and their children through the mud from the cars to the tents to take in the greatest show on earth. Street cars went out to the park loaded. A few got out. The majority did not. They either returned to the city to get home or got off at Water street to witness the work of loading the wagons on the cars. Only one man did the talking. He knew his business and lost no time in the work. The four trains left for Springfield before midnight.

The afternoon show drew about 12,000 people and it is estimated that the receipts were about $8000. Mr. Bailey came to town Sunday morning with his people. The daily expenses of the show are over $4000. Mr. Bailey left money in Decatur this trip on expenses for the two days, and the people saved what might have been paid in last night had the show been given. But in the round up for the year Mr. Bailey will be $60,000 to $100,000 ahead if he does not have too much bad luck.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The Proceedings of the Second Day's Session—Will Close To-Night.

The second day's session of the convention of the Epworth League of the Decatur district was held today. There are about 115 delegates present besides those from Decatur. The meetings are being held at the Grace Methodist church. There was a sunrise prayer meeting at 5:30 o'clock this morning led by Miss Bertha Gray. It was followed by a sacramental service at which Rev. W. F. Gillmore officiated.

The business session opened at 8:30 o'clock with Rev. Preston Wood, Jr., in the chair. A praise service was led by Rev. C. P. Hard, of Roseland. The president appointed the following committees:

Nominations—Rev. W. F. Gillmore Rev. J. H. Waterbury, Miss Alta Dawson, William Constant and D. F. Hight.

Resolutions—Rev. J. A. Stout, Miss Dollie Wetzel, Miss Anna Stober.

The delegates discussed the subject "How Shall Decatur get the most out of the Convention," the leaders being Mrs. Gillmore and Milton Johnson, Jr. Papers were read on the following subjects:

The Model Business Meeting—Miss Stella Brown, Boody.

The Devotional Meeting—George McConkey, Stonington.

Model Secretary Work—Frank Conely, Warrensburg.

Model Financial Work—B. F. Hight, Assumption.

Rev. C. B. Taylor, the state president organized a model cabinet and showed how it should be conducted. At noon an adjournment was taken and the afternoon session was called to order at 2 o'clock. "The Life of the League" was a general topic which was discussed by the following persons: Miss Dollie Wetzel, of Stonington; Miss Daisy Shook, Lovington; Miss Clara Majors, Warrensburg; Mrs. Jennie Kreidler, Decatur; Rev. J. H. Waterbury, Cerro Gordo; Rev. J. Gliek, Illiopolis; Miss Leah Fribley, Assumption; Miss Frydenger, Cerro Gordo. Before the adjournment of the afternoon session officers will be elected and the next place of meeting will be decided upon.

This evening there will be a lecture which the public is invited to attend. Rev. Jesse Bowman will speak on the subject "Francis Asbury." The convention will close with a social.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Mrs. Frank Roby is visiting in Chicago.

—D. W. M. Catto was in Emery yesterday on business.

—Charles E. Lincoln, of Hammond, is in the city visiting friends.

—James Hatfield left to-day for Omaha, Neb., on business.

—Roy Morrison left for the east today on a business trip for V. H. Parke & Son.

—Mrs. Joseph Jack will leave tomorrow for the east to spend the summer.

—Mrs. Arthur F. Wilhelmy has returned home from a visit to friends at Newport, Ky.

—Undertaker Perl is at Galesburg attending the state conventon of funeral directors.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hunter in Long Creek township, June 15, a son.

—William Bullard and children, of Mechanisburg, are in the city visiting the family of J. B. Bullard.

—J. A. Eyman, of Argenta, was in the city last night and left for Galesburg where he will attend the state meeting of the undertakers.

—Mrs. Jessie Fenton Snead, who has been in the city visiting F. L. Hays and family, returned today to her home in Chicago.

—Charles Gilbert, who has been in the city visiting T. L. Antrim and family, returned to Chicago today. Mrs. Gilbert is still in the city.

—William King, who was thrown from his buggy Sunday and injured, is better and it is believed that he will not suffer any serious results from the accident.

The County Convention.

The Macon county Christian Temperance Union convention will be held at the W. C. T. U. hall, June 17 and 18, evening sessions at the First M. E. church. Miss Margaret E. Crissey, of Decatur, is the district president; Miss Bessie A. Gilman, of Illini, county secretary. The day sessions will be held in the hall beginning Thursday afternoon, when the program will be:

1:30—Devotional Exercises.....
.... Mrs. Eliza Crary, Decatur
1:45—Conference called to order by the District President.....Miss Margaret E. Crissey
Appointment of committees.
2.00—Address of Welcome—
On behalf of the W. C. T. U.....
....Mrs. W. F. Gillmore
The Churches..... .....Rev. W. C. Miller
Response..... . . Miss Bessie A. Gilman, Illini
Why I Believe the W. C. T. U. to be a Necessity. .....
(Two minute speeches by Convention members.)
"The Future of the W. C. T. U. Without the Children. What Does it Promise?"
A Paper by Miss Margaret Wintringer, Chicago.
3 00—Is a State Paper Necessary.
Music—"Rock of Ages."
3 30—Question Box—In Charge of Mrs. Carrie L. Grout, Rockford
.... Parliamentary Drill.
Paper—"Our Relation to Other Societies,"
....Mrs. A. C. Ingham, Illini
Introduction of Fraternal Delegates and Visitors
Paper—"When, Where and How to Work,"
....Mrs. S. A. Underwood, Decatur.
Miscellaneous Business.
5.00—Adjournment.
5.15—Executive Committee Meeting.

Thursday Evening.

7 45—Organ Voluntary.
"Coronation," sung by Congregation.
Scripture Reading.
Prayer..... ..Rev. W. H. Penhallegon, Decatur.
Vocal Solo..... .....Little Le'ah Davis
8.00—Address—"The Gospel Cure for Intemperance,"....Mrs. Carrie L. Grout, Rockford
Free Will Offering.
Organ Solo.....Mr. Walter Shade, Decatur
Vocal Solo—"Come Unto Me".....
.....Miss Olive Sutton, Decatur
Benediction.

Gold Medal Contest.

One of the main features of the meeting will be the gold medal contest on Friday night at the church. There will be seven young ladies among the contestants. The program will be as follows:

"America"—Sung by Congregation.
Scripture Reading.....Miss Laura Aikin
Prayer.....Rev. Marion Stevenson
Recitation.....Miss Clara E. Lucas, Illiopolis
Recitation.....Miss Laura McMillan, Decatur
Violin Solo......"Blue Bells of Scotland"
Little Olga Keck, (Mrs. C. M. Briggs, Accom.)
Recitation.....Miss Beulah Blanche Layman
Layman Chapel.....
Recitation...Mr. Thos. G. Chamberlain, Niantic
Vocal Duet......"My Happy Swiss Home."
The Misses Sadie and Grace Beadles, Decatur.
Recitation.....Miss Edna E. Houser, Exeter
Recitation..... Miss Edith Ballard, Maroa
Recitation.....Miss Anna Buchanan, Decatur
Address ....."Christian Citizenship"
Rev. D. R. MacGregor, Decatur.
Presentation of Medal.....
Organ Solo.....
Benediction.....

Signed the Bill.

Governor Tanner yesterday signed the bill regulating the matter of making special assessments for all public improvements. It will take effect July 1. The bill provides for a board of public improvements in all cities, to whom petitions for improvements shall be made, and also that improvements cannot be made unless a majority of the property frontage shall go in with the names.

UP FOR STEALING CHICKENS.

Francis and Deardorff on Trial in the Circuit Court.

In the circuit court today Judge Vail, after hearing arguments on a few motions in civil cases, placed the case of the People vs Deardorf and Francis, chaged with stealing chickens, on trial by jury. The defendants' attorneys are J. M. Gray and W. E. Redmon. States Attorney Mills appears for the prosecution. There are eight different charges against the accused.

In the case of Stoddard vs the Decatur cracker company, the court sustained the bill. Mr. Stoddard wants the court to issue an order compelling the company to issue him stock to the amount of $2500.

Prisoners Arraigned.

These prisoners have been arraigned in the circuit court:

John Francis and Charles Deardorff, burglary and petit larceny; plead not guilty; eight indictments

Charles and Thomas Crane, burglary and petit larceny; Thomas Crane pleads not guilty; Charles Crane pleads guilty; defendant fined $1 and costs and sentenced to one day in jail, and sent to state reform school for burglary.

John Patin, robbery; pleads guilty; sentenced to Chester.

Charles King, selling mortgaged property; pleads not guilty. Alexander McIntosh appointed to defend.

Louis Zanzic and Emma Norman, conspiracy; defendants each arraigned and plead not guilty.

George Dyous, grand larceny; pleads not guilty. L. E. Roby appointed to defend.

George Dyous, burglary; pleads not guilty and Clapper and Roby appointed to defend.

Erastus Peterson, uttering forged check; pleads not guilty.

James Adams, grand larceny; pleads not guilty.

Henry McCauley, burglary and grand larceny; pleads not guilty; two cases.

Robert Bruce and George Jenkins, confidence game; pleads not guilty.

Harrison Jones, assault with deadly weapon; pleads not guilty. Ewing appointed to defend.

James Smith, burglary and grand larceny Moffett to defend.

Charles and Thomas Crane, burglary and larceny; Thomas pleads not guilty; Charles pleads guilty; sent to reform at Pontiac.

Michael E. Touhey, embezzlement; pleads not guilty.

Chancery Docket.

John Ulrich, administrator, vs W. H. Powell, assumpsit; default; damages at $503.39 and costs.

D. W. Brenneman et al, vs Charles Kuepferle, assumpsit; default and damages assessed at $347.99.

Common Law Docket.

Isaiah Stickle et al, vs James Stickle, chancery; stricken with leave.

Ellen D. Murphy vs John Murphy, chancery; evidence reported to court by agreement.

Laura S. Hunt et al, vs Fannie S. Carins, partition; leave to amend bill making Fannie S. and Charles Carins complainants instead of defendants.

Mary A. Perdue vs William H. Perdue, divorce; decree pro confesso heard; decree.

C. E. Akers et al, vs Frank Sanford, injunction; decree pro confesso for perpetual injunction.

Ambrose Banna vs Louisa Bannan, divorce; decree pro confesso

Justine Shultz vs Archibald Shultz, divorce; decree pro confesso.

Ella M. Baker vs Charles H. Baker, divorce; decree pro confesso.

Clara A. Wiseheart vs Doctor S. Wiseheart, divorce; decree pro confesso.

The Storm North of Decatur.

The rain storm of last evening was very heavy in the vicinity of the Macon county poor house. There was something of a hurricane in that neighborhood and many trees were blown down and twisted. Considerable damage was done to fences. Fully an inch of water fell. There was a story current on the streets that a water spout had visited Maroa and that many people had been drowned, but investigation proved the report to be unfounded. There was a heavy rain at Maroa, but no fatalities.

MONEY TO LOAN—Any amount; reasonable terms. Apply to Geo. W. Ehrhart, 137 North Water street, up stairs. May 31-d1m

Marriage Licenses.

Frank B. Easterly, Decatur, 34.
Birdetta Blair, Blue Mound, 20.

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